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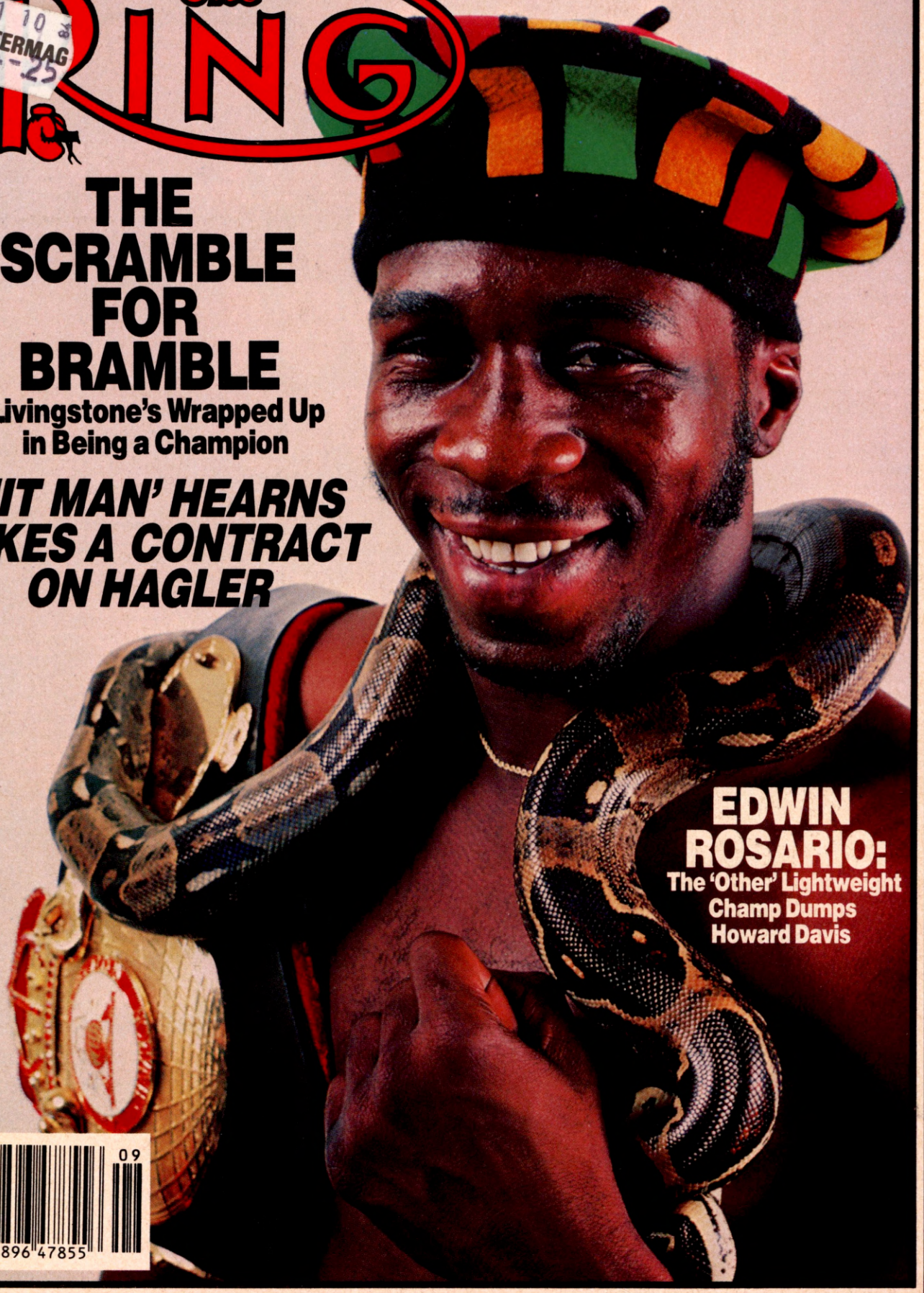

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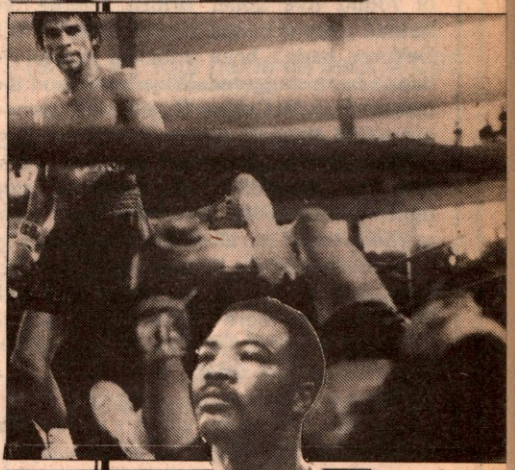
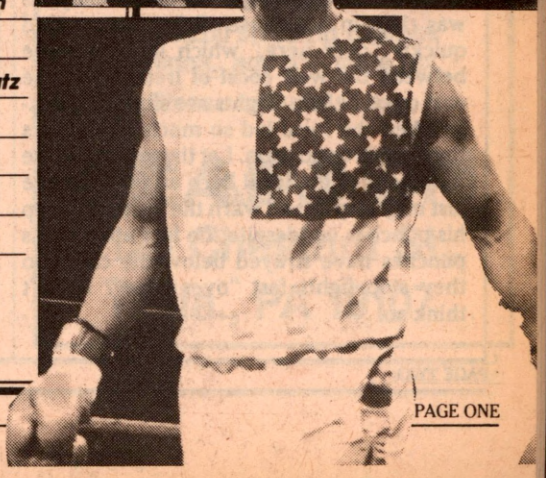




RINGSIDE

'THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME'

WHAT'S WITH THIS RASH OF HORRIBLE boxing decisions lately? There are two in particular I'm referring to. One took place in the Barry McGuigan-Paul DeVorce featherweight bout. McGuigan, a strong, well-conditioned fighter from Ireland, seemed well on his way to victory, when, with half of round five gone, British referee Sid Nathan stepped in and awarded him a TKO. DeVorce hadn't been knocked down. He hadn't been staggered. Why, he was on the move when McGuigan threw what turned out to be the last punch of the evening. Afterwards, for all to see and hear — and laugh at — on CBS Nathan said, "We stop fights quickly over here. We don't want anybody to get hurt." What did he mean by "over here"? Where is "over here"? Is "over here" Belfast, Ireland, where the fight took place? Is "over here" Great Britain, where Nathan is from? Is "over here" Europe? Or was Nathan just using "over here" as a cover-up for a premature stoppage?

I wonder how many viewers were taken in by Nathan's post-fight words. Actually, he was right in one sense—fights are stopped quickly "over here," which is somewhere between the west coast of Ireland and the east coast of Italy. Fights are stopped quickly when the local kid so much as staggers the foreign opposition. Let the visitor buckle the knees of the local hero and the referee just may step in and warn the visitor to keep his punches up; despite the fact none of his punches have strayed below the chin. Do they stop fights fast "over here"? I don't think so.

Flyweight Champion Jimmy Wilde, a Welshman, was stopped in the 17th round of his non-title fight against Pete Herman, an American, in London in January, 1921. Wilde, who had been unbeaten in his previous 15 bouts, took such a pounding that he was inactive for the next 17 months. When he did come back, he lost his title by knockout to Pancho Villa. Stop them quickly "over here"? Sure!

How about Marvelous Marvin Hagler's three-round demolition of Alan Minter to win the crown in September, 1980 in London. That fight wasn't exactly stopped prematurely—or even when it should have been. And I'll long have the memory of the "Mother's Day Massacre" last May 13, when hometown favorites Frank Bruno and Mark Kaylor were blasted by James "Bonecrusher" Smith and Buster Drayton, respectively. After Smith staggered Bruno with a hook in the 10th round, referee Harry Gibbs allowed Smith to throw 34 punches at Bruno before Smith finally landed the knockout blows. If it had been the other way around, do you think Gibbs would have stopped it? The same thing for the Drayton-Kaylor fight. Local favorite Kaylor was decked a total of five times before the British referee finally realized the local man had absolutely no chance of winning and awarded the fight to Drayton.

In stopping the McGuigan-DeVorce fight, Nathan didn't look as bad as he could have, because DeVorce accepted the ending graciously. It was as if he was satisfied with his performance, with taking the fight on 10 days notice, with his free trip to Ireland and with his payday, the biggest of his career.

Then there was the decision victory by Tony Baltazar over ex-junior lightweight king Roger Mayweather. Fought in Baltazar's backyard, Mayweather looked to have done enough—more than enough—to win the decision after 10 rounds. Few people thought Baltazar had won. Three of those few people were the officials. What in the world were they watching? The fight wasn't even close. Mayweather boxed rings around the tough but much slower Californian. A hometown decision? It was as hometown as you can get!

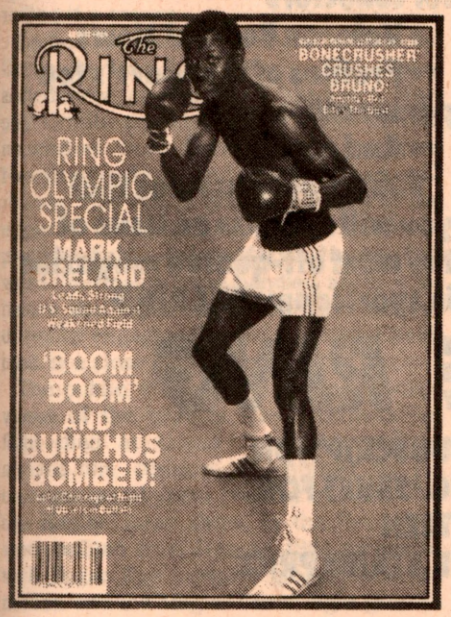
AS YOU WELL KNOW, BOXING IS THE ONLY major sport which varies in rules and regulations as you travel from state to state. It is my dream to see the laws which govern the sport become uniform. If there's a three-knockdown rule in one state, that rule will apply in every state where professional

fights are held. If there is no standing eight-count in another state, likewise, no other state will have one.

One rule I'd like to see adopted right now is a rule in effect in California which concerns mouthpieces. The rule states that if a fighter's mouthpiece falls out during the contest, time is called, the mouthpiece is washed off, re-inserted into the figher's mouth and the fight resumes. The purposeful spitting out of a mouthpiece (as in trying to buy much needed time when a fighter finds himself in trouble) can cause the fighter to lose on disqualification.

As I learn more and more about the science of boxing, I see how truly valuable the mouthpiece is. Studies have shown that quality, professionally-molded mouthpieces actually increase a well-conditioned fighter's ability to take a punch. Mouthpieces also protect the lips and tongue from suffering puncture wounds from the teeth—injuries I have seen occur numerous times when a fighter got hit after having his mouthpiece fall or get knocked out.

It may seem like a trivial subject, but to fighters, taking a rap on the chops is never trivial.



LAST MONTH I WROTE IN THIS SPACE THAT our cover subject, Mark Breland, was the first amateur boxer ever to grace the cover of Ring. A few sharp-eyed readers have pointed out that Teofilo Stevenson (January, 1979) and Marvis Frazier (August, 1980) in fact beat Breland to it.

Randy Gordon

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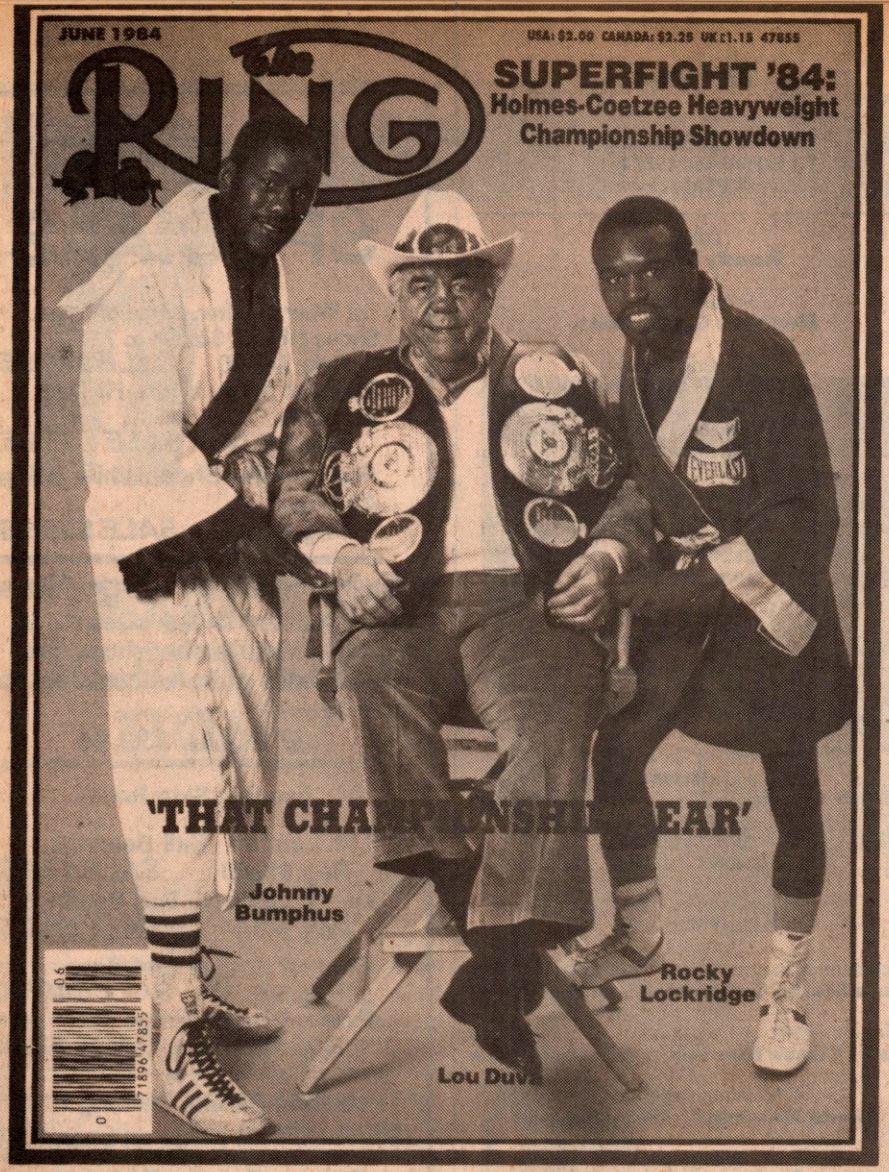

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ROUND ONE

BY BEN SHARAV

ONLY THE PUBLIC KNEW

AFTER THE THOMAS HEARNS blowout of Roberto Duran, the expert analysts remarked that Duran had seemed to just go through the motions, intent not on winning but rather, on picking up that one last million dollar payday before calling it a career.

Earlier, many of those experts had tabbed Duran to win. For example, *USA Today* polled three top trainers—Eddie Futch, Murphy Griffith and Goody Petronelli—and all forecasted that Duran would pressure Hearns relentlessly and take his title after 12 rounds. This was in marked contrast to the experts' expectations before Duran's previous fight, against Marvin Hagler. The word "mismatch" was bandied about a lot before that fight, but Duran surprised the critics by engaging the Middleweight Champion in a close competitive fight.

The public, though, was two giant steps ahead of the experts. The Hearns-Duran fight died at closed circuit box offices around the country, in contrast to extravaganzas of years gone by as well as to the Hagler-Duran show. In the New York metropolitan area, Hearns' 1981 superbout with Sugar Ray Leonard grossed over $4 million and the Hagler-Duran fight grossed $2.7 million. Hearns-Duran pulled in less than $700,000 there. In Houston, Dallas and San Antonio, where last November 28,050 boxing fans forked over $561,000 to attend Hagler-Duran showings, Hearns-Duran drew only 5,500 customers, paying $143,000. In Michigan, Hearns' home state, where Leonard-Hearns grossed $2.4 million, Hearns-Duran pulled in an anemic $360,000.

It is expected that the Hearns-Duran total closed circuit gross, combined with the $1,195,525 live gate, will barely exceed the $3.7 million figure given as the combined purses of the two main event fighters.

Ron Glazer, one of the bout's promoters, told *The New York Times* that Hearns-Duran "was a disaster." The newspaper took that as an indication that closed circuit is dying. Maybe, though, it really meant that the boxing fans had a good idea of the nature of the product that was being sold.

KNOWING WHEN TO TAKE A STAND . . . AND WHEN TO SIT DOWN

HOWARD DAVIS JR. BLAMED THE judges for his loss to Edwin Rosario in their WBC lightweight championship fight in Puerto Rico but he should probably cast the blame closer to home. The

judges had the fight scored a draw (One had Davis ahead, another had Rosario up and the third had it even) going into the 12th and final round and it was Davis' for the taking. Judge Sid Nathan of England, who had it a draw going into round 12, says Davis had the round won until, with just eight seconds left, he walked into the left hook that dropped him. Nathan cast the swing vote in the split decision for Rosario. If not for that knockdown or for the one he suffered in round two, Davis would have walked off with the title.

From opening bell to final bell, Davis spent approximately 11 seconds off his feet and Rosario spent approximately 11 minutes off his. But timing is everything: Rosario sat down *between* rounds and Davis sat down *during* them.

"It was absolutely ridiculous," says one member of the Rosario camp, who occasionally kept his eye on the opposite corner between rounds. "It was really hot in there. Edwin would sit down as soon as he got to the corner. But Davis stood up the whole time. Near the end Davis wanted to sit down but his father [and cornerman, Howard Sr.] told him, 'No, that's a sign of weakness.'

"The second round knockdown was clean—Davis' chin gave out. But the last knockdown was because his legs gave out."

READING HOWARD'S MIND

News Item: COSELL-GATE EXPOSED: KNEW OLYMPIC BOX-OFFS RESULTS, THEN "PREDICTED" WINNERS FOR TV VIEWERS—*NEW YORK POST*

"OF ALL THE REPROBATE TRANSgressions to perpetrate against yours truly. I endeavored to project my unique brand of brilliance to the debased American peasantry by concocting the illusion that I possess the singular ability to discern the official scores of amateur pugilistic confrontations even before such scores are rendered.

Of course, in actuality, my greatness does not extend to that ability. That would be patently absurd. These judges have the collective intelligence quotient of an unripe pomegranate and half the time they mark their scorecards at random. Besides, I was too intoxicated to keep track of the fistic blows that connected.

I humbly admit that I was succeeding quite majestically, thanks in small measure to the covert pipeline through which my gofer—who should kiss my feet for allowing him to converse with yours truly—informed me of the results before they were handed to the ring announcer. But after the Percy Whitaker fight (Is that his name? I forgot.) I was sandbagged and sabotaged by the inept technicians in the

employ of my own network, ABC. These bunglers allowed my private pipeline to be broadcast over the airwaves.

Still, the slipshod disclosure passed right over the heads of the brainless beer-guzzlers (I prefer straight vodka) we refer to as fans. But then that vindictive big orangutan who writes for that pooper scooper called the *New York Post*, found out about it and pilloried me.

Well, I'm sick and tired of all this. These mutant sports fans are unworthy of hearing my prognostications. And I shouldn't have to sit in a booth with guttural illiterates like Gifford. I should be the host of *Nightline*. Arledge promised me that assignment and then doublecrossed me and gave it to Koppel. I never should have trusted Roone in the first place but I'm just too nice a guy."

SPLITTING HEADACHE

BACK BEFORE THE WBC SPLIT FROM the WBA and before Houston built the Astrodome, the term "undisputed world champion" was as redundant as "natural turf." But now that the WBA and WBC have wreaked their havoc on boxing, some people find the idea of a single world champion per weight class hard to fathom.

A researcher from the country's largest-selling magazine called THE RING recently to verify a fact: "Michael Spinks is the *undisputed* light heavyweight champion?" asked the researcher.

"That's correct," answered the RING Associate Editor, glad to be getting an easy question.

"Does that mean he holds both the WBA and WBC titles?," continued the questioner.

"Yes."

"Why is that?"

"Because he won the WBA title and then he won the WBC title."

"So that means he keeps both titles until someone from the WBC beats him?" continued the caller, still unable to grasp the meaning of this seemingly novel oddity.

CUTTING IT CLOSE

AS A JOURNEYMAN JUNIOR MIDdleweight in the 1970s, Tyrone Phelps got hit way too much, as his record of 12 wins against 32 losses and 3 draws can attest, but the New Yorker was never stopped on cuts.

But now that he's retired to the safer avocation of a trainer, Phelps suddenly found himself in dire need of a cut-closing specialist and luckily, two of the best cutmen in the business were on hand to help out.

It happened backstage in the fighters' dressing area on boxing night at the Sands Casino in Atlantic City. Phelps was rushing out, leading with his face, and as he reached for the door to pull it open, someone on the other side pushed it open hard and the edge of the door caught Phelps between the eyes. Phelps stepped back, seeing stars, and was stunned to find that blood was pouring

down his face.

Quickly, someone summoned Ralph Citro and Eddie Aliano, the top cutmen, who were in the vicinity. Citro and Aliano, who often work opposite corners, went to work on Phelps.

"It was a bad cut," said Citro. "It went right down to the bone. If it'd been a fight, the ref definitely would've had to stop it."

Citro and Aliano halted the blood flow as only they know how, and advised Phelps to go straight to the hospital to get it stitched. Phelps said nothing doing, and went out and worked the corner of his light heavyweight, Tim Broady, who shocked the favored Charlie Singleton, scoring a ninth-round knockout.

COONEY REDUX

GERRY COONEY'S ABRUPT PULLOUT from his scheduled bout with Phillip Brown brought to mind the reputed ancient Chinese proverb: "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." The backers who lost money asking "Why is this fight different from all other fights?" should lick their wounds gracefully and be thankful that Cooney at least gave them 11 days notice and they didn't lose more. For everyone else, the only sensible reaction is a good chuckle.

Cooney is not an unknown quantity. Cooney watchers have been shown time and again that the Long Island heavyweight's signature on a fight contract is nothing more than in indication that he *might* partake in the boxing match in question.

As I write this sarcastically patronizing essay in the RING office, tacked up on the wall behind my desk is a yellow cardboard Felt Forum boxing poster, circa 1979, trumpeting a scheduled April 6 fight between "Gerald Cooney—Sensational Heavyweight KO Artist" and Mike Koranicki. The sensational artist withdrew from that bout, claiming to be bothered by the sensations he was feeling in his hand.

- On July 11, 1980, Cooney pulled out of a scheduled August 2 bout with Earnie Shavers, claiming a torn back muscle.
- On October 24, 1980, Cooney did not pull out of a fight with Ron Lyle. He knocked Lyle out in the first round.
- On December 30, 1980, Cooney reportedly suffered a dislocated pinky on his right hand. His scheduled February 23 fight with Ken Norton was later postponed, but the postponement was attributed to financial reasons.
- On May 11, 1981, Cooney showed up as scheduled for a fight with Ken Norton in Madison Square Garden. Cooney knocked Norton out in 54 seconds.
- On November 13, 1981, Cooney pulled out of a bout with Joe Bugner, claiming a pulled back muscle.
- On January 20, 1982, Cooney pulled out of an exhibition tune-up against Joe Bugner, scheduled for five days hence, claiming a pulled muscle in his left shoulder.
- On February 18, 1982, Cooney postponed his scheduled March 15 title fight against Larry Holmes, claiming another pulled muscle in his left shoulder.
- On June 11, 1982, Cooney showed up as

scheduled for his challenge to World Champion Holmes. Cooney was knocked out in round 13.

• On May 31, 1983, Cooney postponed his scheduled June 18 bout with Phil Brown, due to a knuckle injury on his left hand.

• On June 23, 1983, Cooney canceled his scheduled Sept. 9 bout with Brown, to undergo surgery to remove bone chips from knuckle on left middle finger.

Sometimes Cooney fights as scheduled and sometimes he doesn't. Of course, the last time the former occurred was over two years ago.

By no means is this an insinuation that any of Cooney's excuses for not fighting were less than genuine. In explaining Cooney's most recent pullout, though, his aides claimed that he had suffered a torn rotator cuff in his left shoulder. But after examining Cooney at New York University Medical Center, orthopedist Dr. Jeffrey Minkoff stated that tests "showed no tear" and "failed to discover any significant abnormalities." Cooney's camp downgraded the injury to a muscle pull.

In his workouts at the Concord Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, N.Y., Cooney was looking sluggish and getting winded fast. Perhaps the short vacation that he takes will do him some good.

"I'm going to have to put up with a lot of nonsense," Cooney said after pulling out. "But I'm going to come back and win the Heavyweight Championship." But if Cooney does come back, the bout may be a lot less lucrative than this one would have been. (Not that Cooney is in need of money. Co-manager Dennis Rappaport claims that shrewd and lucky investments have increased Cooney's fortune from the $8 million or so he got for fighting Holmes). HBO, the pay TV network which was going to pay the money that enabled Cooney's promoter to offer him $400,000 for fighting Brown in Dallas, was furious at Cooney for messing up their scheduling plans. George Kreiger, the head of sports programming at HBO, said when Cooney bailed out, "That's it. We're through with Cooney. They can do what they want, but HBO will have nothing to do with it."

Still, the Cooney comeback will probably be rescheduled and Cooney's promoter, Tiffany Productions, will probably find some other outfit to back it. We'll remind anyone who gets involved of what the ancient Chinese proverbs say, but we won't knock him. Because for whatever reasons, a large number of fans are still fascinated by Gerry Cooney and there's money to be made if he ever does get into the ring. And who knows? Next time Cooney signs a contract to box some nonentity, Cooney might keep the date. Stranger things have happened.

BARTENDERS' TRIVIA CORNER

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July's question: Which two world title fights were staged without any prelim boxing bouts?

Answer: The Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries Heavyweight Championship bout in Reno in 1910 was the first. The Payao Poontrat-Guty Espadas WBC junior bantamweight title bout in Bangkok this March was the second.

August's question: What future world titleholders boxed each other in Olympic bouts:

Answer: In the 1908 Olympics in London, Matt Wells of Great Britain decisioned Waldemar Holberg of Denmark in a lightweight bout; both won welterweight titles in 1914. In the '32 Games, U.S. flyweight Lou Salica beat Canadian Jackie Callura. Salica won the bantamweight title twice, and Callura briefly held the NBA featherweight crown in '46. In 1960 in Rome, Nino Benvenuti of Italy beat Ki-Soo Kim of Korea in a welterweight bout. Kim beat Benvenuti by decision in '65 to capture the WBA junior middleweight title.

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A ROBERTO DURAN SUPPORTER, AFTER Thomas Hearns warned, "The Hitman is coming out of the closet.": "Yeah, I always figured Tommy was a fag." (The Duran supporter was not laughing when he saw what Hearns had meant!) □

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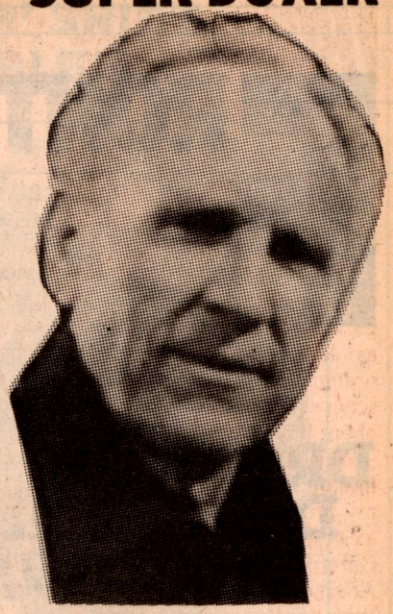

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FRONT PAGE

DRIVING DOWN THE SAME ROAD

By MICHAEL KATZ

FEW THINGS GRATIFY AN EGO MORE than a mirror, especially a rear-view mirror that shows a man that his son is following in his footsteps. There is not better affirmation that one's trail is worthy than a son's choosing the same path. Oh, surely there were pitfalls along the way, something a father would be glad to warn his son away from, and surely there were shortcuts that were missed the first time. But the vicarious thrills of the second time around, mixed with parental pride, are often not applicable.

The mystique of gear ratios and overhead cam shafts never appealed to me. But the drivers, masked in helmet and fireproof suits, are the same breed as the nearly naked men who climb those three steep steps into a ring. They approach the same limits, going as close as they dare to look over the edge, knowing that the other side is disaster.

Two of the three great champions in American racing, A.J. Foyt and Mario Andretti, were at the Meadowlands race for Indianapolis-type cars. Each had occasion to talk about their sons. (The third champion, Richard Petty, competes almost weekly on the stock-car circuit against his son Kyle after starting his career racing against his father, Lee.) The 49-year-old Foyt, the only four-time winner of the Indianapolis 500, was proudly saying how his 28-year-old son, Tony, was in charge of training some of the 135 race horses in the Foyt stable. But he was worried about his 21-year-old son, Jerry, now in his third year of studying business at the University of Texas. Jerry still wants to be a racing driver, said Foyt.

"I talked him into going to college," A.J. was saying. "I need someone to help me with all my businesses. Tony, thankfully, never had any desire to race. He's happy with the horses. The boys don't need to drive. That's what I went through, so they wouldn't have to."

But what if, Foyt was asked, after Jerry got out of school he still wanted to race?

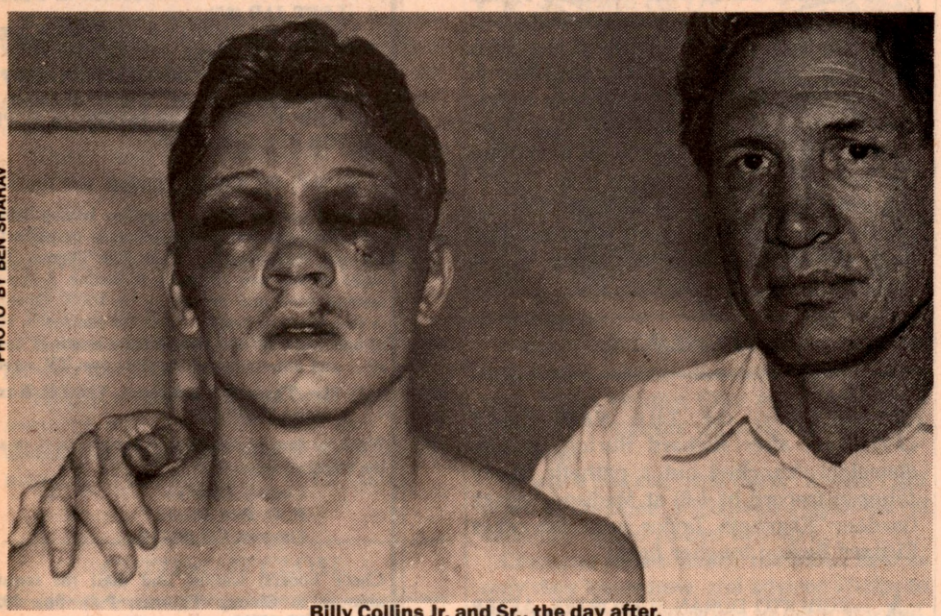
"I'll knock him in the head," A.J. snapped.

Just a few days later, what Foyt was worried about happened to Andretti. Mario won the pole position, took the lead at the start and was never headed. He didn't have a care in the world until he started on his next-to-last lap and saw the car driven by his son Michael crumpled like an accordion into a concrete wall. Michael, setting up to pass Rick Mears, got too close. The right side of his front wing slashed Mears's left rear tire and young Andretti's car went airborne—"I looked up and could see the bottom," Mears said—flying into concrete. Miraculously, though a fire broke out, Michael Andretti managed to walk out unaided with just some soreness and by the following weekend was well enough to finish third. But his father was still worried.

"Every time you see a wreck, you're concerned," said Mario. "But when it's your guy up there, it's really different."

Would he prefer that Michael raced somewhere else? Mario was asked.

"You bet, but he won't listen."



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Billy Collins Jr. and Sr., the day after.

It struck me again when listening to some racing drivers recently how alike they are to fighters. Auto racing used to be one of my beats, even though I decided never to learn how to drive as soon as I could yell "Taxi!"

BILLY RAY COLLINS JR. WOULDN'T LISTEN to his father, either. Father-son stories are common in boxing, too. They're not always as happy as Ray (Boom Boom) Mancini's, winning a title for his old man. More often, they turn out other ways: Marvis Frazier's way, or Howard Davis Jr.'s way, or Tony Tucker's way. But none had the right to turn out the tragic way the Collins' story did, a way that symbolizes all that is rotten and corrupt in boxing.

Billy Collins Jr. was born in Detroit because that's where his father was fighting that night. He grew up outside Nashville where his father, "the poorest celebrity in town," was known by many in the music business. His father, a tough club fighter when club fighters were not pampered and coddled and given world titles, was his hero. When he was 13 years old, Billy Jr. told his father that he too would become a fighter.

The old man resisted, the kid insisted and finally the father figured he'd better help. He began training young Billy. Up to four years ago, the father was still sparring with his son. Until the son said no more.

"He started rattling my head," says Billy Sr. "One day, we had no sparring partners, I

said, 'Go three rounds with me.' He said, 'I'm not going to hit you no more, Daddy.' I guess he loved me more than I loved him. I put him through hell and he never complained."

Billy Sr. put his boy through hell because he knew the game. He knew all about hometown decisions and broken promises and shattered dreams. He had earned a welterweight title elimination bout against Curtis Cokes in 1965, lost a hometown decision and quit while Cokes went on to win the title.

"I fought 10 years and I went in the fight game broke and I came out broke," says Billy Sr. "Fighters are treated like animals. I was fighting some guy in Cincinnati once and the guy had the flu and couldn't fight. The promoter said, What's the matter? You afraid?' The boy got pneumonia, but the promoter made him fight. They treat fighters like dogs. You ain't nobody but a piece of meat until you become famous."

Young Billy, a crowd-pleasing red-head who never took a backward step, was on his way to becoming famous. His father will fight any man who says his boy was not a "hundred times better than I ever was." Young Billy was cruising along undefeated, meeting better and better opponents on his obvious way to a junior middleweight title shot. He was being showcased that night at Madison Square Garden when he fought Luis Resto in the semifinal beneath Davey Moore and Roberto Duran. The night it all ended.

Resto, a light-hitting boxer, battered young Billy's face for 10 rounds. Other men might have quit. Not young Billy, even though he complained to his father between rounds that "it feels like he's hitting me with sticks." It felt that way because most of the padding had been removed from Resto's gloves.

So far, the culprits have not been identified. The New York State Athletic Commission effectively banned from boxing two of Resto's cornermen, trainer/manager Panama Lewis and Pedro Alvarado, and suspended Resto for a miminum of a year. But their crime was not removing the padding, but rather not revealing it. The punishment was Billy's.

His eye was damaged by the tampered gloves and doctors said he could not fight again. His dream was killed, the only dream he had, and soon Billy died, too. He began drinking for the first time and one night last March drove off the same road he used to run in the mornings and killed himself.

A.J. Foyt said that while he does not want his boys to drive race cars "because they don't have to," he himself would go on, even nearing the age of 50, even with millions of dollars. A fighter, too, must defy all the rules of logic, all the common sense, and fight. It is his nature. □

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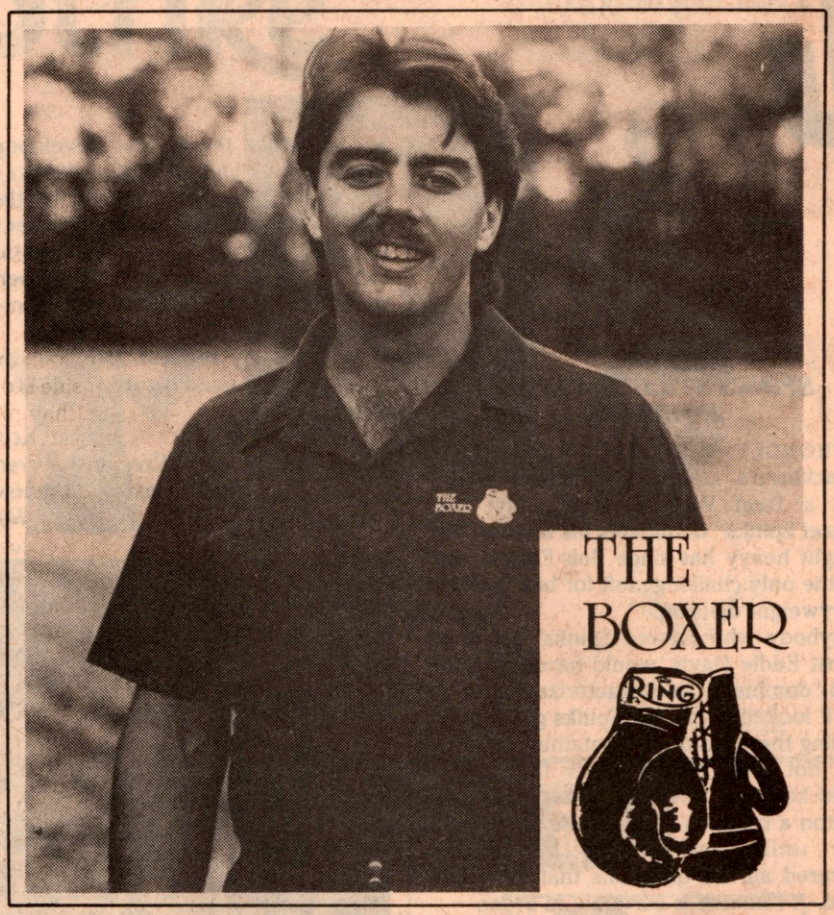

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SPINKS STILL HAS LOTS TO PROVE

I STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH DOUG Blackburn's assertion ("Michael Spinks Eyes a Duel With History," July) that Michael Spinks "dominates his division like no light heavy has since Bob Foster," and that the only challenge left for him is in the heavyweight division.

Anybody who viewed Spinks' last bout, against Eddie Davis, would hardly use the word "dominant" to characterize Spinks. In fact, it looked to me like Spinks got a gift in winning the decision and retaining his title.

It's not clear to me either that Spinks would keep his title if he granted Dwight Braxton a rematch. Spinks beat Braxton in their unification match, but hardly answered all the questions that that fight posed. A rematch is certainly in order.

If Spinks wants to jump up to heavyweight, he'll find the big boys rather unaccommodating. I venture to suggest that Coetzee, Holmes, Witherspoon, Page or Dokes would knock Michael out the first time they hit him solidly. Michael's string bean physique would not stand up to a real heavyweight hitter.

MARTIN RAINES
Birmingham, Ala.

JAPAN NOT THRILLED BY IBF

WE HAVE READ THE RING'S OPINIONS ON irregularities in IBF title fights with great interest.

The fact is that such irregularities in IBF title fights have been occurring in the Orient and it is regrettable to us who have been making every effort to normalize the sport of boxing for a long time.

The IBF laid the blame on the existing organizations and then acted in an entirely different way from what it said it would do and innovate.

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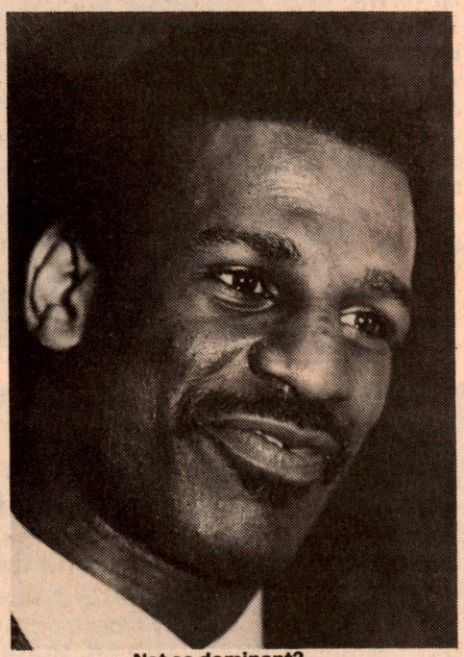
A world title match should be the card worthy of the name. We believe that to present a card of no value or qualification and call it a world championship fight perplexes the fans and leads to the loss of credit of boxing.

We sincerely request that you carry on the good-sensed guidance in your publication.

SHIGERU KOJIMA
Executive Secretary
Japan Boxing Commission
Tokyo Japan



Not so dominant?

THE 'BUTTERFLY FILE'

IN THE RING'S JULY ARTICLE ON TYRONE Crawley you refer to Tyrone and Howard Davis as "head cases." As manager of Tyrone Crawley, who is currently the number one ranked lightweight in the world according to your own magazine's ratings and the International Boxing Federation's rankings, I would love to manage all the so called "head cases" in the world if they are anything like Tyrone Crawley. Tyrone Crawley and Howard Davis are two of a kind in that they are both very intelligent and can think for themselves. You will have to change your definition of a "head case" to a professional fighter who can use his head and has the desire and intelligence to make decisions along with his manager and trainer concerning his career in boxing. Tyrone Crawley is an expert on Tyrone Crawley and he knows best which opponent he would have the best chance of beating in the ring. We always give him the final word on opponents.

The article quotes two matchmakers of Top Rank, Inc., Bruce Trampler and Teddy Brenner, and some statements that Tyrone Crawley and myself supposedly made to them. These statements attributed to us are outright lies and we wish you would have confirmed them before you printed them. Top Rank is still fuming about Tyrone beating their number one boy, Robin Blake, and costing them millions in the Mancini-Blake promotion which never took place because of Tyrone. Top Rank was so sure that Blake would beat Crawley that they didn't even ask us to sign a promotional contract in case Tyrone won. Tyrone also beat their other hot shot, Gene Hatcher, when he was also undefeated and it knocked him out of the ratings. Tyrone's only mistake was to beat some of Top Rank's top fighters and Top Rank will do anything to hurt Tyrone Crawley in any way they can. Top Rank released these lies in order to try to make Crawley look like a troublemaker and thus make it hard for us to get big fights on television. Promoters do not want to do business with fighters who are undependable. This is not the case with Tyrone for he is very dependable and the fight mentioned in your article against Danny Sanchez was the first and only fight he had to pull out of. He injured his knees in a 10 kilometer run for charity just 10 days before the scheduled fight and the orthopedic surgeon that treated him for the injury gave him pain medication and a knee brace for his left knee and told him not to run or do much on his knees for the next week to 10 days. We had no choice but to pull Tyrone out of the fight. Top Rank replaced Tyrone with Lonnie Smith and we agreed to fight Danny Sanchez at a later date.

The matchmakers of Top Rank were so mad that Tyrone could not fight that they started accusing Tyrone and myself of making up the injury and put out lies to everyone that would listen to them about Tyrone Crawley. Top Rank's definition of a "head case" is any fighter who doesn't do exactly what they want him to do, even if it means losing a fight. In the article Teddy

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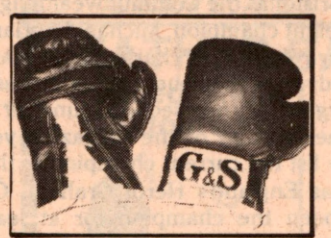

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Brenner is quoted as saying that Crawley told him he would not fight a black guy, only a white or maybe a Latin. This is a lie, Tyrone never said this. When Teddy Brenner was looking for an opponent for this fight he asked me what type of fighter we would like to have for Crawley, and I told him we would rather have a white or a Latin if we had a choice, but Tyrone would fight anyone. Tyrone fought virtually all black fighters in his previous fights. They quoted me as saying "You better get us another opponent or Tyrone will get sick." I never said this and this is a slanderous lie. And for Bruce Trampler saying Tyrone refused to fight Efrain Nieves after he signed a contract, this is another lie. Tyrone never agreed to fight Efrain Nieves and never signed a contract. They gave us his name as a possible opponent but when we said we wanted the contract to be at 138 pounds they dropped his name as possible opponent. In another lie Bruce Trampler said that Tyrone dropped out of the scheduled fight with Howard Davis 10 days before the March 3 date for the fight. Tyrone is quoted as saying he couldn't fight because he wanted to visit his daughter in South Carolina. Tyrone never signed to fight Howard Davis on March 3 and Howard Davis never signed to fight Crawley on that date. Howard Davis was scheduled to fight Gene Hatcher for a solid month before the March 3rd fight and Gene Hatcher pulled out 10 days before the fight because of an injury. Connie Swift ended up fighting Davis. Either Top Rank hires matchmakers that have bad memories or they have an organized campaign to discredit fighters and managers who don't play the game according to their rules. The outright lies in the article reek of slander with unverified gossip.

As manager of Tyrone Crawley I can only say that Tyrone has been a pleasure to deal with and I think the world of him. Because of sour grapes there are people and promoters who will take pot shots at the "Butterfly," but these don't bother us because we consider the source and we don't think too highly of those who put out the lies. If it came from somebody we respect as being an honorable person we might be upset by the lies. But we are not going to lower ourselves to the level of the two matchmakers of Top Rank, Inc. and argue about what happened in the past. We are concerned about the future and Tyrone "Butterfly" Crawley's quest for the world championship in the near future. This is what really means something, the rest is all hogwash.

BRENT D. MOLOVINSKY
Keystone Sports
Rockville, Md.

● ***Crawley had orally agreed to reschedule the once-postponed Davis fight but pulled out causing the bout to be scrapped. Crawley withdrew from the signed, scheduled Sanchez fight and was suspended by the New Jersey Athletic Commission for failing to keep an appointment with the commission's doctor.***

THE RING's article gave ample space to Crawley and Molovinsky's explanations for those incidents.

***We are glad that manager Molovinsky is not "bothered" or "upset." Otherwise, he might overreact and send a hysterical-sounding letter*—Editor**

BRUNO NOT BEST BRIT

SO, THE BRUNO-SMITH FIGHT WAS BROADcast live across the U.S. because America thought Bruno was a good prospect. Well, here in the U.K. a lot of people had doubts about Big Frank since Jumbo Cummings stunned him at Wembley last year.

The trouble was that he fought Duff Brits, overweight Europeans, bad Americans and Argentine no. 1 contenders (I hear the Falkland Islanders were pleased). He won all 21 inside the distance and became some sort of national hero.

Against Smith that all changed when, well ahead on points, Bruno showed that he was too slow to keep his glass jaw from being smashed and shattered.

If the U.S. wants to watch real British contenders, focus your attentions on Colin Jones (Wales, welterweight), Barry McGuigan (N. Ireland, feather) and Herol Graham (England, now moving up to middleweight). Tony Sibson and Charlie Magri are finished. Poor Frank Bruno never even got started.

PAUL AIREY
Nottinghamshire, England

INACCURATE AD

PLEASE STOP REFERRING TO KENNY Bristol as the Commonwealth light middleweight champion. Michael Capriano constantly refers to his charge in this manner in the advertisement he carries in THE RING's *Managers' Corner* section (June, *et al*). In another section of the magazine you correctly list the current champion in this division as England's Herol Graham. Graham has been the champion for at least two years.

CLIVE DINHAM
Ontario, Canada

● *Reader Dinham is correct. Kenny Bristol won the British Commonwealth junior middleweight title in 1979 and lost it in '81. He should be referred to as a* former *titleholder.* —Editor

RATING MARVIN

AS A LONG-STANDING ADMIRER OF MARvin Hagler I must nonetheless confess some uncomfortable misgivings regarding the champ's image as an invincible ring titan. I didn't mind that he couldn't knock Duran on his keister because Duran, his shortcomings as a middleweight aside, was an always-dangerous, fine defensive warrior. But then Tommy Hearns exposed that as a lame excuse when he so easily dispatched Duran.

Even more disturbing was the Hagler I saw step into the ring against Roldan. He was, up until the time he aquainted Roldan with his thumb, a confused, outgunned and unimpressive fighter. As slow and plodding as Roldan was, Hagler simply couldn't get away from him and was certainly getting the worst of the contest. Frankly, had the thing gone much longer without Roldan getting thumbed, I'm not sure who I would have bet my house on. I know there are those who say Hagler was using the opening rounds just to figure out his awkward opponent and this might be true. But Roldan certainly deserves a rematch. And Hagler a lesson in what being "marvelous" is really about.

MAX GRANT
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TOO MANY DIVISIONS

WHEN THE RING DECIDED TO RATE THE cruiserweights you began to lower yourselves to the level of the WBA, WBC and IBF. Your reasoning was that no matter what, the division exists and also to help out the quality of your ratings. Well, why not rate the junior flyweights and junior bantamweights and junior light heavyweights, too. They also exist and have division champions.

The light heavyweight division was created for the purpose of fitting the smaller heavyweights. If a weight adjustment is needed, it should be made. These junior divisions weaken and thin down the talent in the traditional weight classes.

Of 26 heavyweight champions, 16 weighed under 200 pounds. The average weight of the champs was about 198 pounds. The average weight of the champions since Sonny Liston is 208 pounds. If Dempsey could beat Willard and Baer beat Carnera, fighters of similar weights can fight today.

It's time for overweight fighters to trim down and for boxing to adopt a more abbreviated and sensible set of weight classes.

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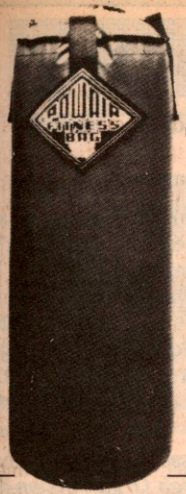

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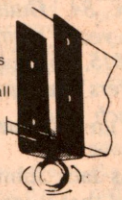

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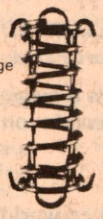

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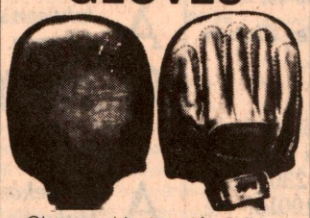

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—ROSEMARY LUCIANO
Stuart, Florida

A *Billy Collins, Jr. was killed in a tragic automobile accident in Nevada on March 8, 1984.*

Q How can I get in touch with ex-world lightweight champion Mando Ramos?

—RICHARD HERNANDEZ
San Antonio, Texas

A *Write to the Cauliflower Alley Club in Los Angeles, Calif.*

Q Could you tell me anything about George F. Jowett, who was manager of the Jowett Institute, 230 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016? He was a strong man and a physical education instructor.

—JAMES P. CALK
Wolf Point, Mont.

A *Suggest you contact J.R. Jowett, our most prolific Atlantic City correspondent. He's the only Jowett I'm aware of.*

Q Can you provide the record of Al Andrews, who fought out of Superior, Wisconsin as a middleweight from 1952 to 1959?

—FRANK ABBOTT
Superior, Wisc.

A *Andrews was born in Superior on July 17, 1931, stood 5 ft.9½ in., and compiled a 45-36-2 record with five kayoes. He was himself stopped seven times.*

Q What was the scheduled distance of the Dempsey-Willard bout?

—JOHN FINCH
Philadelphia, Pa.

A *12 rounds.*

Q Where can I obtain information on a boxer by the name of Peter Halleck? He was from Memphis, Tenn., and I believe he fought as a welterweight around 1919. If you do not have such information, would you please suggest where I might possibly obtain it?

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Q What was Jack Johnson's real name. I've heard that it was Arthur Little.

—SCOTT TREUX
Springfield, Mo.

A *Johnson's real name was Arthur John Johnson.*

Q What was the site of the Ali-Bugner fight in 1975?

—ROBERT FRANCK
Allentown, Pa.

A *Merdeka Stadium in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.*

Q What did Jimmy Wilde weigh when he was knocked out by Pancho Villa at the Polo Grounds in 1923?

—EDWARD STEWART
Hamilton, Ohio

A *Wilde weighed 109½ for Villa. Jimmy had been inactive for two years at the time of the fight, and it is said he never weighed above 108 for any other contest.*

Q Was Leo Houck ever stopped in a pro bout?

—JOHN HENRICH
Lancaster, Pa.

A *Yes. Billy Murray stopped him in the 14th round in San Francisco on February 23, 1914.*

Q Was Matt Wells English or American?

—JERRY DOOLEY
Jackson, Mich.

A *English.*

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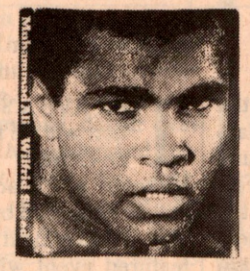

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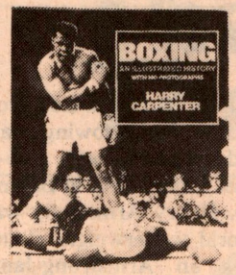

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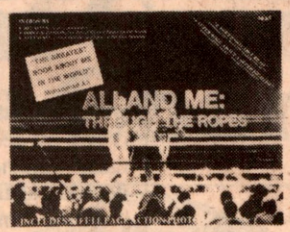

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VETERAN BOXERS' BEAT

By CHARLIE SPINA

EVERY NOW AND THEN, THIS CORNER likes to dedicate space to a former fistic great. This is one of those times. The fighter we'd like to remember is the "Birmingham Belter," Izzy Jannazzo.

Born in Ensley, Alabama, on January 31, 1915, of Italian parentage, the Jannazzo family later moved to Birmingham. As a youngster, Izzy did his part for the family by selling newspapers. He often had to battle for his corner, and found himself to be quite good as a fighter. He started to box in smokers and pretty soon was doing quite well. He won all but two of over 50 amateur bouts.

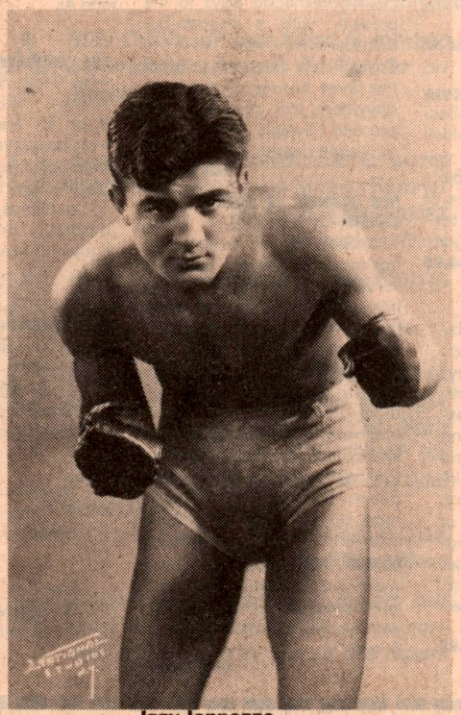
Jannazzo went to New York City in 1932, when he was 17. He turned pro soon after under the tutelage of Guy Anselmi. Jannazzo debuted in 1933 against Joe Melletti, whom he defeated over four rounds. Melletti would go on to fight 130 bouts in the next 14 years and earn the reputation as one of the most feared fighters in the world.

During the next three years, Jannazzo met such tough and respected fighters as Morrie Sherman, Steve Halaiko, Tony Falco, Kid Azteca, Phil Furr, Jimmy Leto, Harry Dublinsky, Cleto Locatelli, Johnny Jadick, Gustave Eder and Ceferino Garcia. On November 27, 1936, Jannazzo found himself in Madison Square Garden, fighting for the world's welterweight championship. Ross beat Jannazzo in a super action fight via a 15-round split decision.

In 1937, Jannazzo boxed Glen Lee in California, then met Jack Carroll and Dick Humphreys in Australia. He often had to step out of his class and take on such outstanding, heavier men as Solly Krieger, George Abrams, Ozzie Harris, Vince Pimpinella and others, spotting them up to 10 pounds.

Under the guidance of Chris Dundee in 1940, Jannazzo defeated—in succession—Steve Mamakos, Holman Williams and Cocoa Kid. The bout against Cocoa Kid was a 15-round battle for the Maryland State welterweight title, and Jannazzo won the crown by decision. The following year, Jannazzo retained the crown with a 15-round decision against Jimmy Leto in Baltimore.

At the time, Henry Armstrong was the recognized world welterweight champion. Several times an Armstrong-Jannazzo match was talked about, but for one reason or another, never happened. Because it didn't, any claim Jannazzo was making towards being a champion diminished.



Izzy Jannazzo

Jannazzo's name was often found in the fight results. Among the fistic stars he met were Sugar Ray Robinson (four times), Ralph Zannelli (five times), Fritzie Zivic, Andre Sessurun, Dave Clark, Coley Welch, Cecil Hudson, Eddie Booker, Saverio Tauriello and Vinnie Vines. His last fight was against Henry Jordan in Providence, R.I., in 1946. At the advice of manager Dundee, he retired in 1947 at the age of 32.

Today, he is happily married with two grown children. Now retired from his job as a fireman with the Department of Sanitation in New York, Jannazzo makes his home in Maspeth, New York. It is nice to report that his health is excellent. The Ring salutes the former fistic great Izzy Jannazzo, a man boxing can be proud of.

THE N.V.B.A.'S 22ND ANNUAL CONVENtion will be held between September 28-October 1, in the Holiday Inn-Midtown in Philadelphia. The convention will be co-hosted by Ring 88 of Philadelphia and its president, Thomas Mealey. The featured event will be a conference with Robert W. Lee, President of the IBF and U.S.B.A. Also to be honored are former champions "Smokin'" Joe Frazier and Joey Giardello. Joe Verne, a popular fight promoter from Philadelphia and one of boxing's real super guys, will also be honored.

Last May 11, the Regina Center of Brooklyn, N.Y., presented the annual Petey Hayes-Bobby Wagner Memorial boxing show. Ten action bouts were seen and afterwards, the "Teddy Martin Memorial Award" and the "Larry Young Memorial Award" were presented to their respective families. Some of the fistic greats who were on hand were Lou Salica, the former two-time bantamweight champion; Vito Antuofermo, former middleweight king; former heavyweight champ Floyd Patterson; heavyweight Gerry Cooney, Joe Mulli and Frankie Pitcher, an outstanding fighter from the 1920's. Johnny Hayes Mancuso was the chairman and Ed Post the announcer.

This September 23 will mark the 47th anniversary of the Carnival of Champions at the Polo Grounds in New York City. On that card, three world champions and one European champion risked their crowns: Lou Ambers turned back Pedro Montanez for the lightweight title; Barney Ross beat Ceferino Garcia for the welterweight crown; Fred Apostoli stopped Marcel Thil in 10 for the world middlewight title; and Harry Jeffra dethroned bantamweight king Sixto Escobar. Did you know it took Jeffra two days to win this title? This 15-round bout started on September 23 at 11:30 p.m. and ended at 12:30 a.m., September 24. That makes Jeffra the only fighter in the history of boxing who took two days to win a title!

FORMER NEW ENGLAND HEAVYWEIGHT champion Ted Lowry, who fought two 10-round bouts against Rocky Marciano as well as five different world champions, is now operating the Greater Norwalk Boxing Association, which is located at 41 Wolfpit Avenue, #1 P, Norwalk, Conn. 06851. Lowry started the GNBA five years ago and puts in a lot of his time to help develop the youngsters of that area. His

work is all gratis. It's a real nice gesture from the former "Tiger Ted" Lowry, who fought Archie Moore, "Tiger Jack" Fox, Joey Maxim and was the only man to twice last the distance against Rocky Marciano. Lowry also boxed an exhibition against Joe Louis while both were in the United States Army. We wish Ted Lowry all the best life can offer and success to his GNBA.

On June 16, a testimonial dinner was given to Joe Gagliardi, a popular and successful fight promoter from San Jose, California. The affair was thrown by Gagliardi's friends and held at the San Francisco Italian Club. Bennie Ford acted as chairman.

A surprise 60th birthday party was thrown on June 3 for Carmine Fatta, the former outstanding lightweight contender of the 1930's and '40's. The party was held at the Newburgh Country Club, in Newburgh, N.Y. His many friends and former noted boxers Melio Bettina, Sal Bartolo, Tippy Larkin, Danny Kapilow, Artie Levine and others were on hand to honor one of the area's most outstanding ringmen and personalities. Happy Birthday, Champ!

THE LAST ROUND

FRITZIE ZIVIC, 71, A FORMER GREAT welterweight champion, passed away recently after a long illness. Fritzie won the welterweight crown from Henry Armstrong on November 15, 1940 and lost it to Freddie "Red" Cochrane on July 29, 1941. In an 18-year career, Zivic had 230 fights, of which he won 155. He lost 65 times and had 10 draws. Included among his victories were 80 knockouts. Zivic was elected to the Ring Hall of Fame in 1972. Rest in Peace.

Death also claimed Tommy Elm, an outstanding lightweight during the 1920's. Elm, who lived in Paterson, N.J., was also a former N.J. State boxing referee, and is enshrined in the N.J. Boxing Hall of Fame. Rest in Peace.

Frank "Chico" Doyle, a former boxer from Garfield, N.J., died in May, a victim of cancer. Chico was the President of Ring 9, VBA Passaic, N.J. Rest in Peace.

Ring 14, in Hudson County, N.J., lost three members during June to the Grim Reaper. Jersey Cityites Mickey Marchitto and Petey Masters, as well as Dom "Puggy" Cuspito of West New York, N.J.—all former boxers — saddened the boxing world with their untimely departures. Rest in Peace.

We're also sad to report the passing of Carl Duane, a former featherweight and junior lightweight out of New York City. Duane passed away on June 23, in Parsippany, N.J., two days before his 82nd birthday. Boxing has lost a true friend, gentleman and inspiration to those he came in contact with.

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LIVINGSTONE BRAMBL
'WILD AND CRAZY GUY'

To his countrymen in the Virgin Islands and to the kids at the Boys Club in his adopted home city of Passaic, N.J., Livingstone's humble after all.

By ROB LAWIN

LE'S NOT JUST A

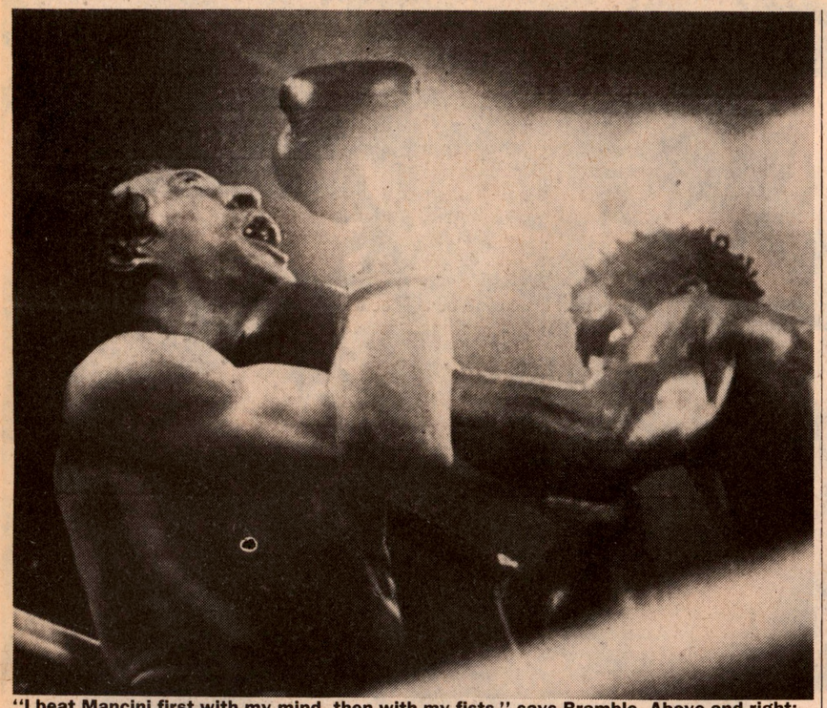
THE 8 A.M. SUN BATHES THE Western coastline of St. Croix, an island that time forgot but that Livingstone Bramble remembered to come home to. Life here, Bramble says, is an acquired taste. It certainly runs the gamut of the palate. On a shaded roadside, a seafood market is open for business, featuring sunrise catches of lobster and conch. Many of those who stop to look and smell are headed to factories where they will help transform sugar cane into rum. Others are en route to the fields to reap okra, mango and sweet pepper.

The world's newest lightweight champion, though, is acting coconuts.

Three weeks after knocking the adjectives out of Ray Mancini, Bramble has decided to climb another mountain—except it's a tree. The thin palm gracefully slopes over a stretch of beachfront property in Fredericksted, curving 20 feet in the air, high enough to protect its hard-shelled fruit from most sane souls. Then there's Bramble. For months he has bragged of how, as a youth, no coconut could exceed his mammoth reach and now he has the chance to prove it. He begins loosening his sneakers as well as his shoulder muscles.

"Watch, I show you Tommy," the now-barefoot fighter tells his trainer, Tommy Parks. He mounts the tree like a 10-toed sloth and begins inching himself skyward.

"Bramble?" says Parks.



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"I beat Mancini first with my mind, then with my fists," says Bramble. Above and right: Bramble does it with his fists.

"See, I told you." *Six feet. Six and a half. Seven.*

"Bramble!"

"You didn't believe." *Eight. Eight and a half. Nine.*

"Bramble—puh-lease!"

The fighter stops, looks out toward the Caribbean, smiles, then quickly slides back to earth. Perhaps he saw a rematch with Mancini on the horizon, or bouts with Aaron Pryor or Hector Camacho. One of those fights would keep him in store-bought coconuts for life. "Bramble may be crazy," says Lou Duva, his manager, "but he's sure not stupid."

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"I BEAT MANCINI FIRST WITH my mind, then with my fists," says Bramble, seconding the notion that there are various ways to skin a cat. He has, of course, literally skinned one. His affinity for dead felines—and live dogs and snakes—helped Bramble become a *cause celebre* before he became WBA champ by stopping Mancini in 14 rounds June 1 in Buffalo. Rarely had such an unheralded challenger so thoroughly dominated the precedings of a title fight. Bramble became an overnight flake, taking the play away from a boxer who was arguably the most popular in the world.

Then came the dichotomy: Inside the ropes, boxing's No. 1 eccentric proved to be highly disciplined. Bramble fought a more intelligent fight than I ever thought he could," said Teddy Brenner, the matchmaker for Top Rank.

Discipline was nothing new to Bramble. A Rastafarian, he has not eaten meat in 13 years and he prepared for the biggest fight of his life dining on yams, pumpkin and coconut—the kind found on fruit stands—as well as fish and spaghetti. After the fight, he continued to dress in the simple, earthy style of his religion, the only new accessory his gold title belt.

Bramble was so secure in his culture that he even helped concoct a "voodoo doctor" whose supposed duty was to make Mancini more hittable than normal, if that was possible. The fact is there is less chance of finding a voodoo doctor in the U.S. Virgin Islands than there is of finding an American M.D. who'll make house calls. But Bramble's actions did not ruffle any feathers in his native land.

"Because Bramble is so strong in his religious beliefs, the people knew right away it was a joke and laughed along with it," said Adelbert M. Bryan, senator for the 15th legislature of the Islands. "I'm telling you, the voodoo man is now a hero. People here want him to set up a practice."

As it turned out, the now celebrated "Dr. Doo"—as in Voo—knew more about

layups than hiccups and is currently working towards his masters in sociology from Cal State-Los Angeles (see sidebar).

Bramble now lives in Passaic, N.J., but there is only one home for the 23-year-old with the self-proclaimed "coconut head." One of 10 children of Henry and Carmen Bramble, he came to St. Croix from his native St. Kitts in 1970. His father, a former oil refinery foreman, and mother, a retirement home worker, still live in Frederickstead, a city that seems suspended in time. The area is dotted with ruins of sugar cane plantations, the result of a successful 1848 rebellion by Cruzian slaves against the controlling Danish government. There is a bar in St. Croix called "Redemption," whose motto is hand-painted on a grey shingle: PHYSICAL SLAVERY WAS ABOLISHED, BUT MENTAL SLAVERY CONTINUES. AFRICAN REDEMPTION WILL COME WITH MENTAL EMANCIPATION.

Because it provided him with "a sense of direction," Bramble, as a teenager, joined the Rastafarians, the religious sect that follows the teachings of Hailie Selassie, the last emperor of Ethiopia. "The goal of all Rastafarians is to be totally free, body and soul," says Bramble. Best known for its members braiding their hair in long "dread locks," the sect was popularized by Jamaican reggae singers such as Bob Marley, Jimmy Cliff and Peter Tosh. On June 1, Bramble entered the ring to a song written by Marley, entitled, ironically enough, "Buffalo Solider." It told the story of Africans who died while fighting for their independence:

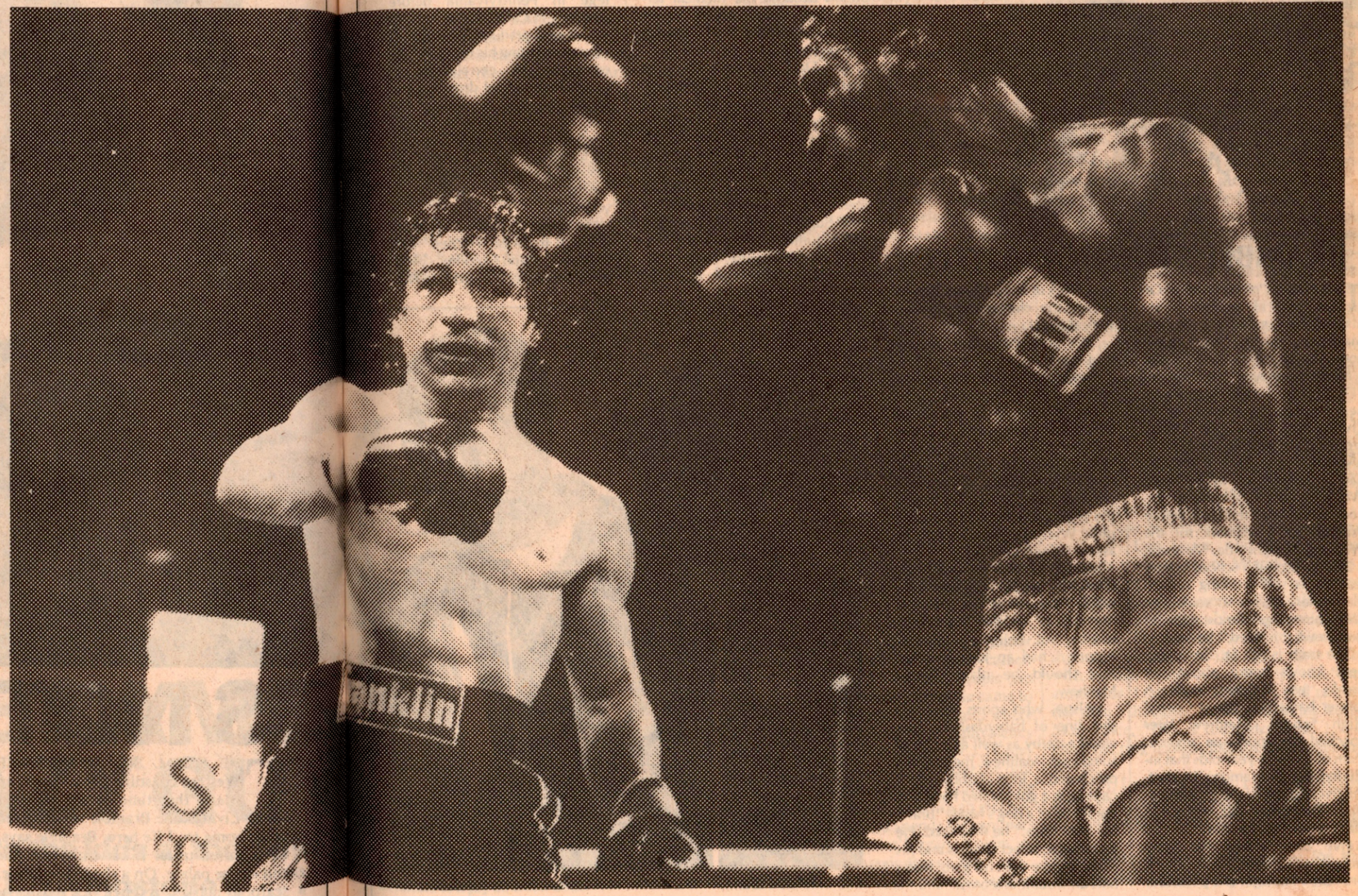
"Buffalo Soldier, dread locks Rasta,
Fighting on arrival, fighting for survival,
When I analyze the struggle, to me it makes a lot of sense."

"To most of the people in America, there is only one Western culture," says Bramble, "and that's why Mancini was so popular. He was the All-America glamor boy. People knew his story and liked it. But they don't know how much dedication it takes to be a Rastafarian, to believe in Jah and nothing else.

"I'm a man. I'm not calling Mancini a lady, but he had everything on a plate. I was in the top 10 for more than two years, but nobody wanted to fight me, and that can test your discipline. That's why it bothers me when people get the wrong idea. I don't want to be thought of as something I'm not."

The perception that Bramble marches to a different steel drum extends even to his homeland. Said St. Clair Murraine, the sports editor of the Virgin Islands *Daily News* and a longtime Bramble observer: "Livingstone is a strong man with strong beliefs—but he's still kooky."

Murraine should see Bramble's Passaic residence. A week after beating Mancini, the new champ arrived for a photo session



BRAMBLE'S DR. DOO-LITTLE

THE "DOOS" AND DON'TS OF the medical profession remain rather unclear to Marvin Matthew, despite the crash course he took a few months ago.

Matthew played the part of "Dr. Doo" in the pre-fight surgery performed on Ray Mancini by the Livingstone Bramble camp, grounds for having his license revoked by the AMA if only he had a license to begin with. While his sister became a certified physician a few days before Bramble KOd Mancini for the WBA lightweight title, Matthew, a 28-year-old high school history teacher, is still working toward his masters degree in sociology. "My knowledge of most sciences is somewhat limited," he said.

The truth is the St. Croix resident knows more about fast breaks than quickie spells. A former basketball star at Central High School, Matthew later coached the Spurs—an amateur team of 13-to-16-year-olds that included Bramble among its starting five—to the island championship. The Spurs did without a team physician, he said.

Five days before the lightweight title bout, Lou Duva, Bramble's manager and possessor of a Ph.D in hype, decided to intensify the challenger's psychological attack.

"We gotta have voodoo," he told Bramble.

"Voodoo?" replied the fighter.

"No, you do," said Duva.

The manager then dispatched Bramble's closest friend, Sonny Wilson, to find a witch doctor. Wilson, however, had plans to attend the graduation of Matthew's younger sister, Mavis, from Temple Medical School in Philadelphia. With such short notice, he asked Marvin to fill in.

Matthew realized the characterization would require some work. "Voodoo is not a part of our culture on the U.S. Virgin Islands, but, being a teacher of history, I had an idea how the role should be played," said Matthew.

Wilson, who sports an extensive line of haberdashery, provided a derby as well as a pair of sunglasses. Matthew, meanwhile, purchased a long dashiki and a cane with a gold-plated handle in the shape of a dog's head. "Bramble likes dogs," he theorized. He then had to select an alias and his choice, more than his garb, made him an instant celebrity.

"The name just seemed to fit," he said.

Introduced at a news conference two days before the bout, the good doctor was promptly ridiculed by members of the Mancini camp. Matthew, however, stood dispassionately off to one side of the room, leafing through a big black book, ostensibly, filled with curses. It was actually a medical textbook belonging to his sister.

"I turned to a section that had to do with organs," he said, "all the while thinking of Mancini's lungs, his heart and his body chemistry. But I didn't learn much because the medical terminology was pretty complicated. Basically, I just looked at the pictures."

Dr. Doo was not the first erstwhile physician to appear on the boxing scene. There is, of course, Dr. Ferdie Pacheco, known as the "Fright Doctor" for different reasons. And in June of 1981, publicist Irving Rudd imported a "medicine man" named Ben Mugimba from Uganda to help Sugar Ray Leonard wrest the WBA junior middleweight title from Ayub Kalule. Mugimba, however, admitted to reporters that he ran a Shell service station back home in Kampala. To make his scam more believable, Matthew did not speak in public and confined himself to his room, getting all of his meals through room service.

"I remember reading where Mancini said he wasn't concerned that Bramble was mouthing off. He was concerned about those who didn't talk, the silent ones," said Matthew. "I think he was referring to me. I think he was beginning to believe in the doctor."

Matthew received a bachelor's degree from Cheyney State College in Pennsylvania before enrolling at Cal State-Los Angeles for his post-graduate work. He is currently writing his thesis, which examines the correlation between high school dropouts and prison inmates. In addition, he has told his classes at Central High to dismiss the Dr. Doo put-on for what it was, "a joke." The closest he ever came to the spirit world, he said, was as a youngster.

"Bramble and I grew up about a block from each other," said Matthew, "and another block away was the graveyard." ***—R.L.***

For manager Duva (center) and trainer Parks, the dedicated

at his cramped three-room apartment on Sherman Street. When Bramble got out of his car, there was Snake, one of his five pit bull terriers, standing on the porch. The front door to the house was ajar.

"It's my fault—I didn't lock the door and he knows how to open it if it's not locked," said Bramble.

On a wall of his living room was a cat in the road. He also posed with a 5½-foot boa constrictor named Dog. "Wouldn't hurt a fly," Bramble said. Rodents are a different story. In Buffalo, Bramble said his first duty as new champ would be to buy "two large rats" for Dog and Rebel, a much nastier reticulated python he keeps under lock and key.

BRAMBLE SAYS HE TRIES TO EMulate the fierceness of his animals and is especially enamored of the fact they "show no fear." Before the title fight, Mancini's manager, Dave Wolf, accused Bramble of having the same scruples as did the snakes. The challenger reportedly called the champion a "murderer," in reference to Mancini's fatal bout with Deuk Koo Kim. Bramble said he was misquoted, but refused to back down from the spirit of the remark. "I can't say it's in bad taste when we go in the ring and try to beat each other's head in," he said.

"Besides, I was trying to intimidate Mancini and I think I got to him. The night of the fight he thought he was fighting a crazy man he could bomb out in a couple of rounds."

Bramble is a joy to work with.

There was a method submerged beneath the apparent madness. Bramble's reach is 74 inches, only four inches shorter than Thomas Hearns'. Parks' superb fight plan had Bramble utilizing his nine-inch advantage *on the inside,* Mancini's turf. When tucked to his sides, his long arms covered virtually all his upper body so, with a few twists and turns, Bramble was able to deflect the vast majority of Mancini's wide body shots. In countering with uppercuts and straight right hands, he did Boom Boom one better.

"Livingstone went Boom, Boom Boom," said Duva.

A natural right-hander, Bramble can go lefty with equal effectiveness. But sometimes he goes both at once. He has the ability to square his upper body and lead with either hand, like the old toy Rock 'Em, Sock 'Em Robots. "The fact that he's a little unorthodox helps him," says Brenner. "He's not jab-hook by the book." Brenner admits, however, "the final chapter on Bramble is far from being written."

Because of his give-and-take style, the brave Mancini was—and always will be—ripe for the taking. Moreover, his straightforward approach was made for Bramble, whose only loss in 23 fights was to a boxer, Anthony Fletcher. "If all guys fought like Mancini, Bramble would be champ forever," says Harold Weston, the matchmaker for Madison Square Garden. "But they aren't, so it's only a matter of time. When he meets someone who can box—a Howard Davis or Tyrone Crawley—there'll be a new champ."

Promoter Dan Duva of Main Events, Lou's son, said Bramble will get the chance to prove "he can defeat all styles." The Duvas talk confidently of a bout against Aaron Pryor. But Bramble will be matched first with Kenny (Bang Bang) Bogner—a less explosive version of Boom Boom and someone Bramble has already KOd—or Gato Gonzalez before a Mancini rematch.

Bramble left high school in his junior year to concentrate on his amateur career. In 1979, to prepare for a 1980 Olympic trip that ended with a boycott, Bramble came to the mainland. He settled in Passaic, where he received his high school equivalency diploma, then attended Bergen (N.J.) Community College. After one semester, he quit school to take care of his son Aluja but he still has aspirations of becoming an elementary school teacher and spends his summers as "director of aquatics" (read: "swim instructor") at the Passaic Boys Club.

"It's hard to believe the guy who teaches these young kids not to be afraid of the water is the same guy who tore Mancini up," said Carl Creech, the Boys Club director. "He has a sensitive side and a rough side, but to his credit, he never lets one come in conflict with the other."

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LESS THAN A MONTH AFTER BEcoming only the second world champion from the Islands (after Emile Griffith), Bramble brings the belt there. It sits around his thin waist as he steps off the plane at St. Croix's Alexander Hamilton Airport and both man and precious metal are met by a sea of cheers as deep as the Caribbean. The crowd of 3,000 includes the Ebonites, an 18-piece steel drum band, two local beauty queens and a Moko Jumbi, a colorfully-garbed man on stilts whose presence officially designates the occasion as "festive."

Signs and banners are in a syntax awkward to visitors—BUFFALO KING SUPERSTAR No. 1 and KID TOUGH CHAMPION—but the feeling of national pride is eminently clear. "He made it known he was from the Islands and the people are obviously grateful," says Sen. Bryan. "Many others who have left for the 'big island' (the U.S.), and who succeeded, sometimes forget their roots. But Bramble even promoted the fact he was a Rastafarian, which gave pride to a culture within a culture. He proved that, despite being different in the eyes of many, you can accomplish much."

The motorcade takes Bramble to the tiny capital of Christiansted, then down the island's major highway—a two-way street called Centerline Road—to Fredericksted. Later that evening, at the P&M Restaurant, Bramble dines on boiled grouper, a whitefish, and fungi, a native cornmeal concoction, and makes Duva and Parks do the same. "Bramble remembers what's good," says Barbara, the P&M chef.

"The way he follows his culture amazes me," says Lou Duva, who once believed coconuts were grown in Miami gift shops. "In training camp, while other guys were grabbing gooey desserts, Bramble stuck with fruits and vegetables, his special teas and herbs. Then, when I walk into his dressing room the night of the fight, there he is with his hair braided in, whaddya call 'em, cornfields. I tell him, 'Bramble, you're nuttier than I thought.' He tells me in his Rasty Man voice, 'This is the style, mon. I will enter the ring tonight like the man from the earth.'

"Hell, I'm from Jersey. I tell him, 'If you don't win, you'll be part of the earth.' Son of a gun, now he owns it." ■

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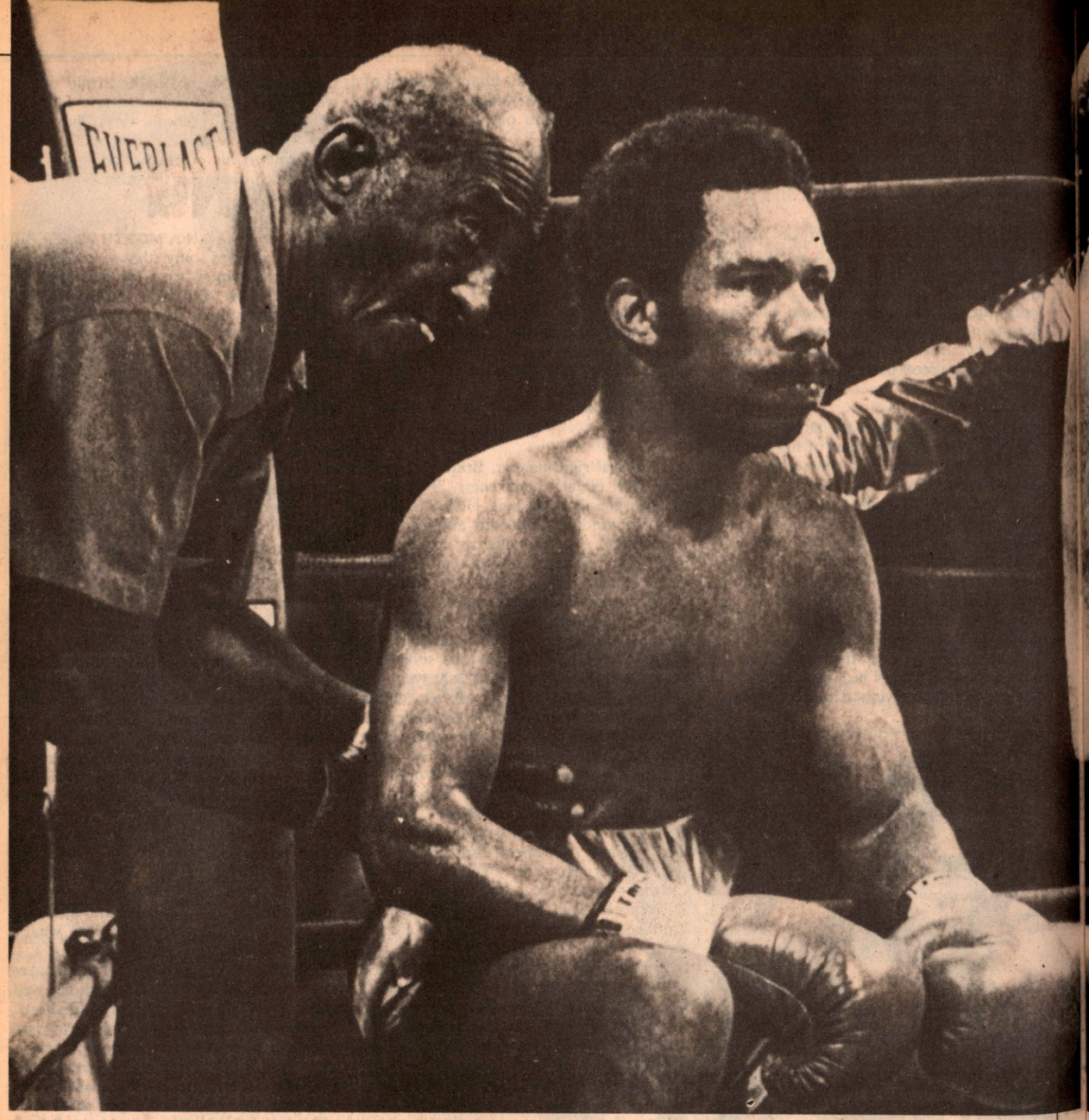


PEDROZA, OUTGROWING FEATHERWEIGHTS, CHALLENGES TWO-TIME VICTIM LOCKRIDGE

130-POUND CHAMP CHARGED WITH DUCKING PANAMANIAN; DUVA BLAMES PEDROZA'S 'UNREASONABLE' MONEY DEMANDS

By BEN SHARAV and ROBERTO SANCHEZ VALINO

WORLD FEATHEREWEIGHT champion Eusebio Pedroza, who has held the WBA title since April, 1978, for the longest reign of any current beltholder, wants to leave the featherweight division to pursue championships in the junior lightweight and lightweight classes. The Panamanian stated his intentions before his last title defense, a 15-round drubbing of Angel Levy Mayor in Venezuela, and reiterated his plans after testing the junior lightweight waters in his most recent outing and surviving an early knockdown to emerge with a disputed TKO over Gerald Hayes with just 41 seconds left to go in their scheduled 10-rounder in Panama City.

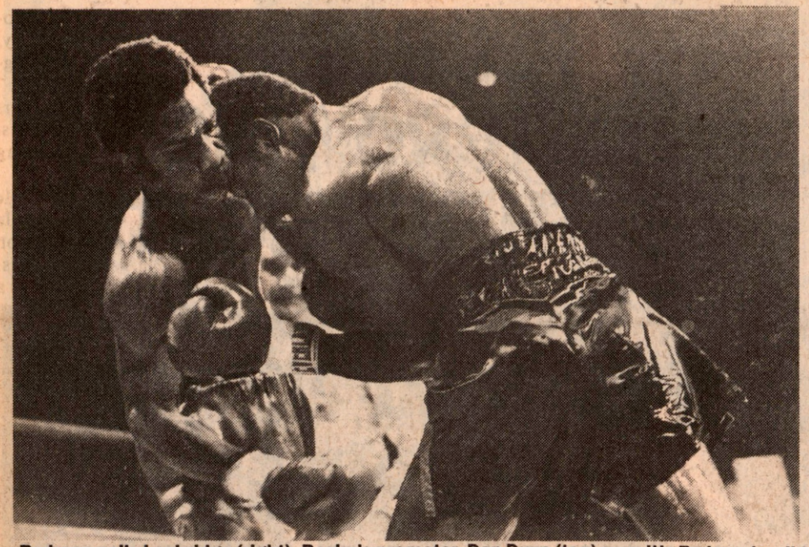
Pedroza's immediate target is World Junior Lightweight Champion Rocky Lockridge. Included in Pedroza's record 18 WBA featherweight title defenses are two decision victories over Lockridge, the first in 1980 and the latter in April of last year. Ten months after he lost to Pedroza for the second time in a 126-pound title fight, Lockridge grabbed the 130-pound crown on a first-round knockout of Roger Mayweather.

After Pedroza outpunched Angel Mayor in the title fight telecast by NBC, Pedroza's promoter, Murad Muhammad of Newark, N.J., indicated that he had lined up a title shot for Pedroza against Lockridge later this year.

Lockridge's promoter, Dan Duva's Main Events, wasted no time in shooting down that claim. A source at Main Events claimed that Muhammad was making idle boasts in an effort to strengten his own position with Pedroza and NBC.

Pedroza may be forced to wait a long time before he ever gets a shot at Lockridge. In his one title defense, Lockridge scored an 11th-round TKO of Tae-Jin Moon, an inept Korean punching bag and a disgrace to the WBA ratings committee which had installed him as the number 1 contender. Lockridge is next fighting a 10-round non-

Pedroza (right) has bested Lockridge twice. Now he charges Rocky is ducking him.



Pedroza nails Lockridge (right). Rocky's promoter, Dan Duva (top) says it's Pedroza's wild money demands that are keeping pair apart for third fight.

title bout with Julio Llerna, a Colombian ranked number 8 by the WBA, whose claim to fame is a 10-round draw that he fought with Mario Miranda, another Colombian, who gave Juan LaPorte trouble before going down in the 10th round of their WBC featherweight title bout in Madison Square Garden in '82.

After his summer set-to with Llerna, Lockridge is slotted for a September title defense against one Kamel Bou-Ali, a Tunisian ranked number 6 by the WBA.

An associate of Pedroza's derided Lockridge in a talk with THE RING. They (Dan Duva and his father, Lou, Lockridge's manager) know Lockridge is nothing," he said. "Lockridge won his title by closing his eyes and throwing that right hand and praying. Lockridge was more surprised than anyone when it knocked Mayweather out. Now they just want to stretch it out, digging up whoever they can find as an opponent.

"Lockridge would probably fight Pedroza, but his managers are too smart. They know Pedroza will beat him and they're just waiting for Pedroza to get old."

Dan Duva scoffed at the charges that Lockridge is being protected from the 31-year-old Pedroza.

"Murad Muhammad asked for $400,000 for Pedroza's end. That's the reason the fight's not happening," said Duva. "These guys are totally unreasonable. They have to understand that Rocky's the champ here and there are limits to how much money this fight is worth.

"Rocky got paid $75,000 for fighting Pedroza last time. If Pedroza gets $400,000 then Rocky gets half a million. It's impossible."

A "reasonable" figure for Pedroza would be $100,000 according to Duva.

"Rocky would love to fight Pedroza again," Duva insisted. "They've fought 30 rounds and Rocky's two points behind him. Except on Rodolfo Hill's card but...you can forget that."

(For the record, the scoring of the two Pedroza-Lockridge fights should be noted. Pedroza won the first battle by a split decision that seemed to have been scored along partisan, nationalistic lines. Judge Harold Lederman of New York had Lockridge winning the 15-rounder by 144-142 (8-6). The neutral referee, Stanley Christodoulou of South Africa had Pedroza in front by 147-141 (9-3). And Rodolfo Hill of Panama favored his countryman Pedroza by 149-139 (11-1). Most observers thought Pedroza had won convincingly but not by a rout.

The rematch looked to be closer but Pedroza won it by unanimous decision, taking two official cards by one point each and one by five points.)

"Lockridge is not afraid of Pedroza," said Duva. "Rocky's getting better every fight and Pedroza's going downhill. We saw that in the Gerald Hayes fight."

IN THE HAYES FIGHT, PEDROZA looked like he may be losing some of his edge. Hayes, a journeyman who is much better than his 24-20-4 record might suggest, decked Pedroza early with a right to the chin in the third round. But Pedroza came on in the later rounds and was ahead on all scorecards when referee Carlos Berrocal mysteriously stopped the fight in his favor although Hayes did not seem seriously hurt.

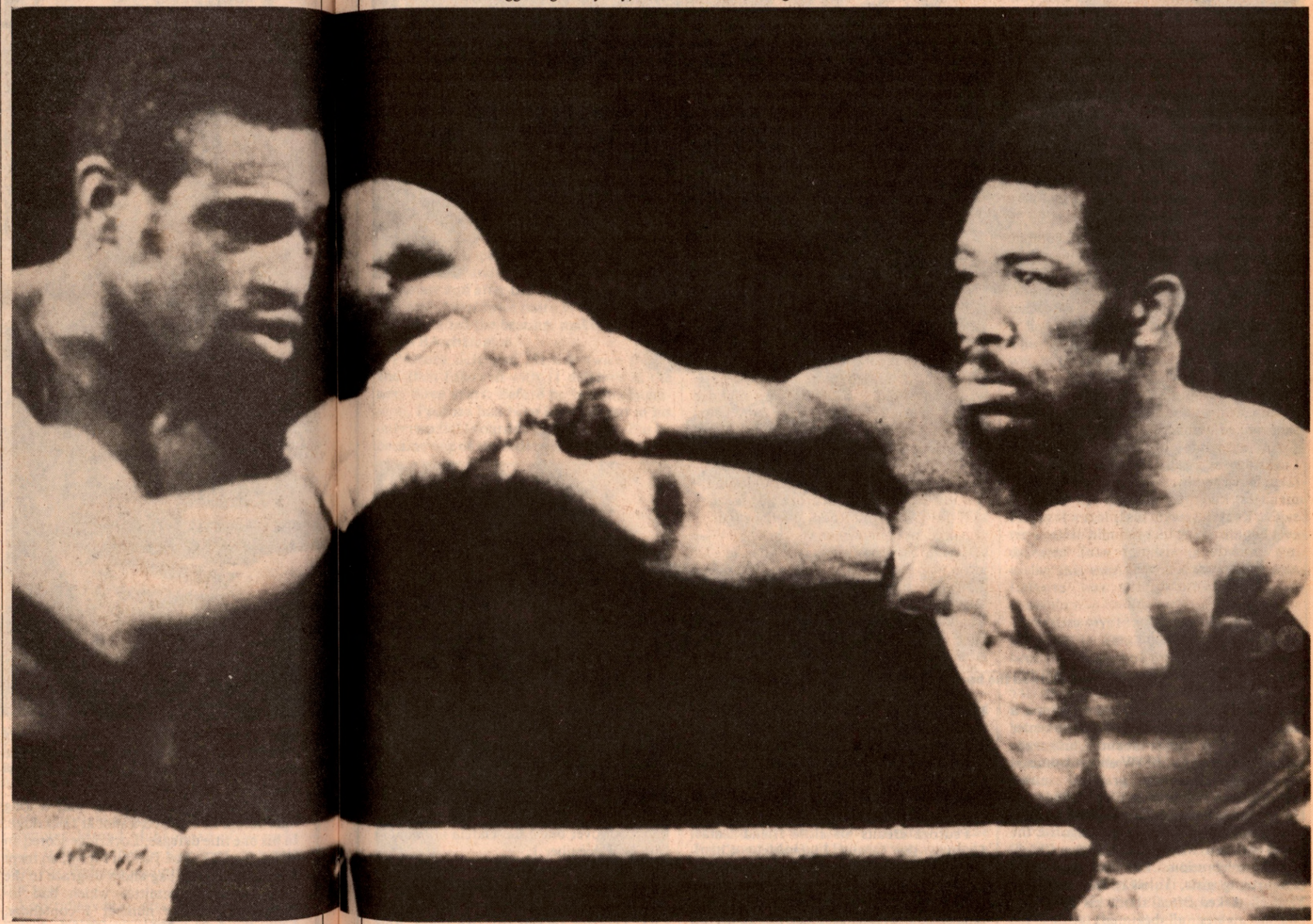
Pedroza weighed 132 pounds for the fight, a full six pounds over the featherweight limit. He is not due for a mandatory defense until early next year. Right now, the only opponent for whom Pedroza would be inclined to train down to 126 pounds is Wilfredo Gomez, the WBC champion. Murad Muhammad said that if he cannot make a Lockridge-Pedroza fight then he will work on matching Pedroza and Gomez for the undisputed Featherweight Title. "That's a much bigger fight anyway," said Muhammad. "Gomez is much more popular than Lockridge."

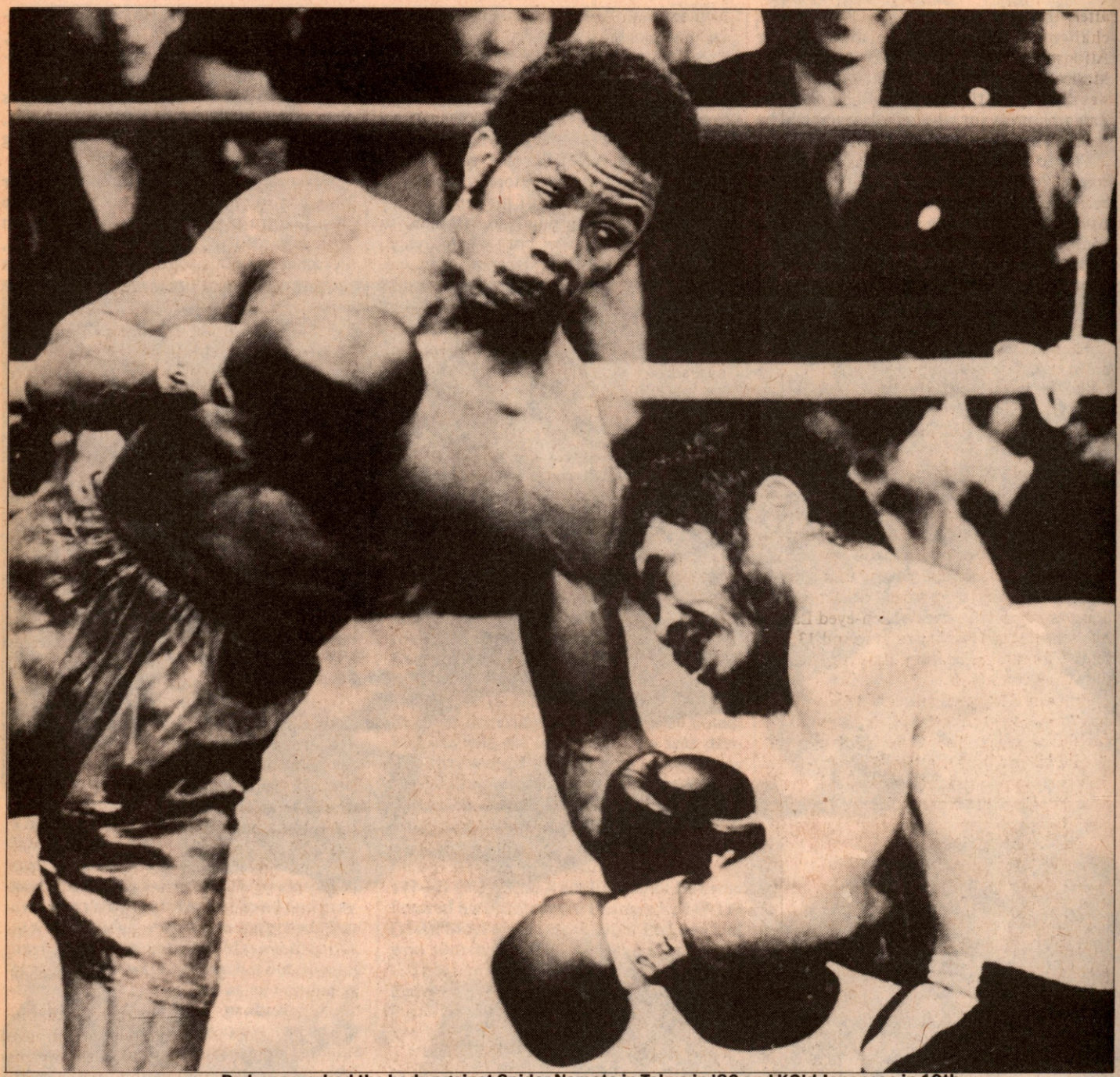
A bout with Lockridge or Gomez would certainly earn Pedroza the biggest purse of his career, although Pedroza may vastly overestimate his own worth, as Dan Duva stated. At least for a short while, it might take Pedroza out from the shadows of Roberto Duran, the more charismatic Panamanian champion of his generation.

Pedroza's background is similar to Duran's. Pedroza was born on March 2, 1953 in the ghetto of Maranon, Panama. Like Duran, who was also born into poverty in that Central American country, Pedroza took to shining shoes as a youngster to earn money to support his family.

Today, Pedroza jokes with boxing writers that he was also a journalist in those days, as he spent many hours hawking newspapers to earn extra coins.

Pedroza's doing a bit better today. He lives comfortably, though not regally. He doesn't own own a Roman-style mansion with a yardful of Rolls Royces, Jaguars, Porsches and other status symbols. He has a





Pedroza worked the body against Spider Nemoto in Tokyo in '80 and KO'd Japanese in 10th.

house on five acres of land in Los Spinos, a residential town a few miles from the center of Panama City. Out front and in his garage ke keeps his Toyota, BMW and customized van, three eminently practical motor vehicles for a family man such as Pedroza. He is married to Emilia Cordoba, a lady whom he first met seven years ago on the island of San Miguel during the "Holy Week" celebration. The Pedrozas have three young girls, Yuleika, Yanahora and Yesguel. Asked often about his daughers' unusual names, all beginning with "Y," Pedroza said, "That is a peculiarity of mine. I picked those names just to hear people try to pronounce them. I think it's funny to hear their mispronunciations; I laugh all the time at how the names are said." As to whether the girls will appreciate their father's odd sense of humor...

Pedroza credits his close friend Ismael Laguna, the former Lightweight Champion, with pointing him towards boxing. As a child, Pedroza worshipped the young local fighter, Laguna. In 1961, the 18-year-old Laguna, who had recently begun his pro career, took the eight-year-old Pedroza to a gym for the first time.

Pedroza does not recall most of his amateur battles but says, merely, "I won most of them."

He turned professional in 1973 as a bantamweight, scoring a fourth-round knockout over one Julio Garcia in Panama City on December 1.

Pedroza suffered some early setbacks. In his 11th pro bout, he was knocked out in the third round by Alfonso Perez in Panama City. Pedroza racked off five quick wins

after that and in 1976, at age 23, he challenged Bantamweight Champion Alfonso Zamora for the title. The bout in Mexicali, Mexico, Zamora's "backyard," was Pedroza's first outside Panama City. Zamora polished off the inexperienced Pedroza in round 2.

The 5 ft. 9 in. Pedroza was becoming emaciated trying to make the 118-pound bantamweight limit. Pedroza struggled to a 10-round decision win over Pablo Jiminez in Panama City and then traveled to Caracas, Venezuela to face the local bantam knockout artist Oscar Arnal. Pedroza ran out of gas and was knocked out in the sixth round.

That loss convinced Pedroza that dieting down to 118 wasn't doing him any good. He took nine months off after that, built up his body and came back as a featherweight. Pedroza has not lost since.

Pedroza won three fights as a featherweight in Panama City in 1977 and then challenged WBA champion Cecilio Lastra there for the title on April 15, 1978. Fighting in front of 12,000 wildly partisan fans, Pedroza took the fight to Lastra, dropping the Spaniard for the first time in the third round. Pedroza continued to dominate and after the swollen-eyed Lastra was sent down twice more in round 13, the referee halted the beating, making Pedroza the WBA champion.

Pedroza defended his title twice in '78 and then followed with 11 defenses in the next three years. Before he became champion, Pedroza had been knocked out in his only two fights outside Panama City. But he became one of the most traveled champions since Muhammad Ali, defending his crown not just at home, but in Tokyo, Houston, Caracas, Seoul and New Jersey. Of the 11 challengers turned back by Pedroza from 1979 to '81, only two—Spider Nemoto and Rocky Lockridge lasted the 15-round distance. Pedroza's most impressive win may have been against Bashew Sibaca of South Africa, the WBA's number 1 contender, in Panama City on December 5, 1981. Pedroza put the heretofore durable Sibaca down and out with one punch—a right hand to the jaw in round 5.

Pedroza's promoter, Murad Muhammad

Pedroza is a throwback to the old-time fighters, who fought often and learned all the tricks that are picked up only through experience. Admirers of the Panamanian say Pedroza is "ringwise," and "knows all the tricks." His opponents, who don't speak in euphemisms, say Pedroza is the dirtiest fighter they ever faced.

Pedroza is fluent in all methods of dirty fighting and mixes them up efficiently. He is equally adept at elbowing, butting, rabbit punching and landing low blows.

On January 24, 1982, Pedroza faced Juan LaPorte in Atlantic City in the 13th defense of his WBA title. Pedroza used every foul trick that came in handy, along with a steady stream of effective legal punches, to stymie LaPorte's spirited attack. Referee Guy Jutras took a point away from Pedroza in the eighth round, and another point in round 14. A near-melee broke out between the two fighters' corners, but the fight concluded and Pedroza was awarded a unanimous decision. After the bout, LaPorte's manager, Howie Albert, filed a protest with the New Jersey State Athletic Commission, arguing that referee Jutras should have done more than merely take two points from Pedroza (He would had to have taken five points to have turned the decision in favor of LaPorte).

Eusebio has defended WBA 118-lb. title record 18 times.

"You're a pro, you don't cry. That's professional boxing," Pedroza said when confronted by all of the hullaballoo.

Later, after reviewing films of the bout, the New Jersey commission announced that it was upholding LaPorte's protest and reversing the decision.

"LaPorte is the winner of the fight," said Boo Lee, the deputy commissioner.

"Bullshit!," said Pedroza, THE RING, the WBA and the entire boxing world. THE RING RECORD BOOK continues to attest to Pedroza's victory in the bout.

The victory over LaPorte may have signaled that Pedroza has lost some of his power. He has not knocked anyone out since, save for the premature stoppage that he was awarded against Hayes.

After LaPorte, Pedroza managed only a draw against Bernard Taylor before going into his second fight with Lockridge.

Pedroza attributes his power failure to problems with making the 126-pound limit. Pedroza's next defense against Jose Caba in San Remo, Italy last October had to be pushed back two weeks when Pedroza realized he would lose his title on the scales if he went ahead with the scheduled date. The two weeks of work brought Pedroza's weight down below the limit and he won by unanimous decision.

Pedroza cannot blame weight problems for his troubles with Hayes. Against Hayes, Pedroza came in at what he had thought would be an ideal weight of 132.

"I make no excuses. He surprised me," Pedroza said of Hayes. "The knockdown woke me up. It made me fight harder. But Hayes is a real good fighter. I did a lot better against him than LaPorte did." Hayes defeated Juan LaPorte in Atlantic City earlier this year, in a non-title fight, while LaPorte was still WBC featherweight champion.

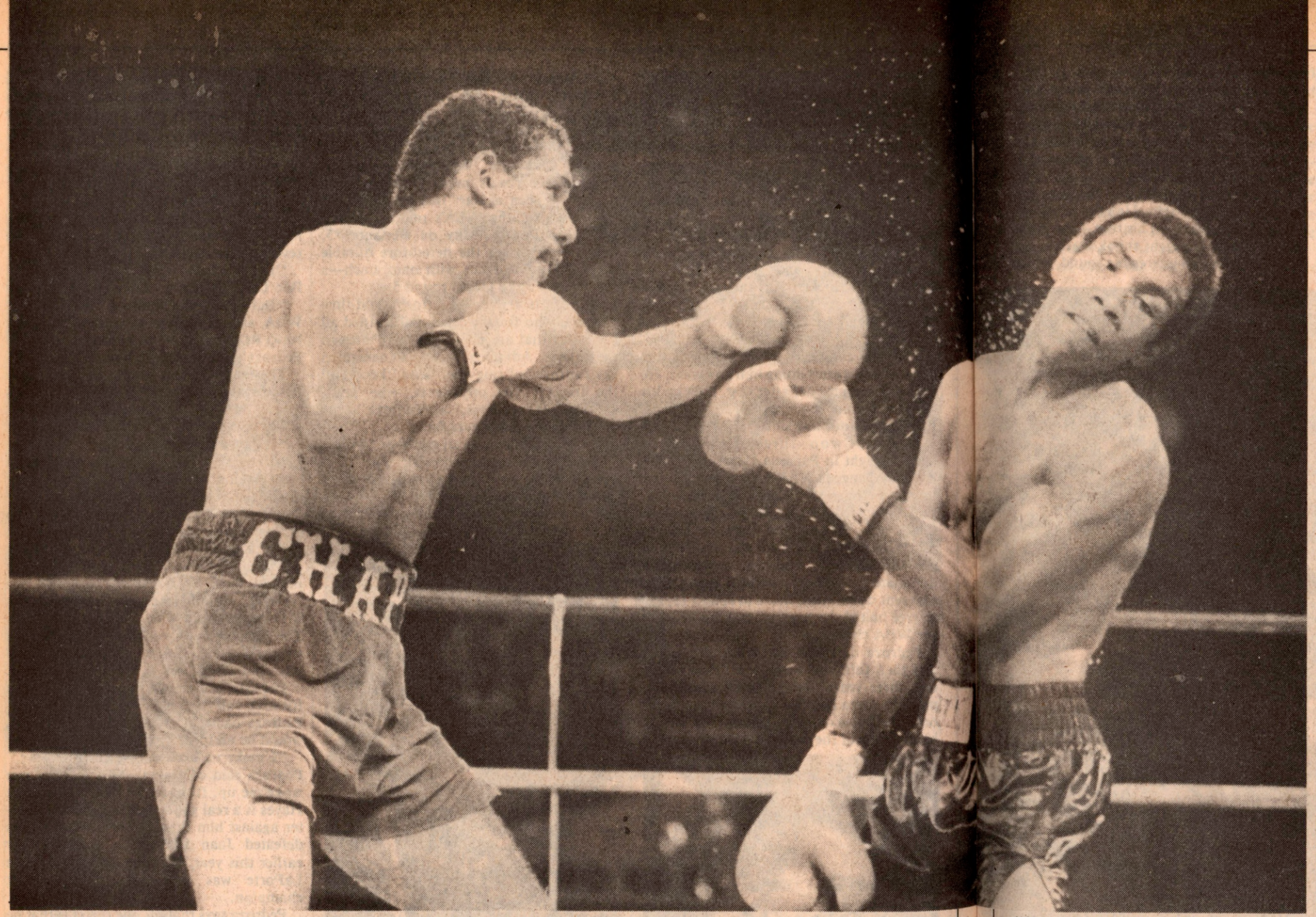
Pedroza says that his one regret is that he never got to fight what surely would have been the "Superbout" of the featherweight division—a title unification match with Salvador Sanchez. The young Mexican champion was killed in an auto crash near his home in the summer of 1982. It was after that tragedy that Juan LaPorte ascended to the WBC title and Pedroza, because of his victory over LaPorte, was recognized by THE RING as the legitimate World Champion of the division.

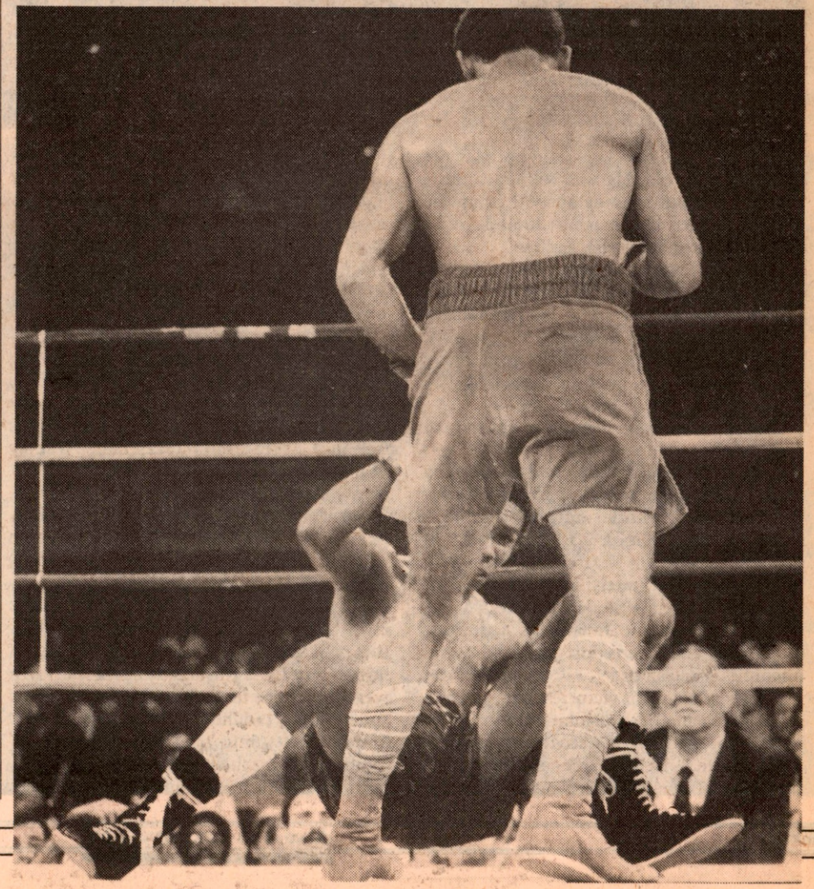
"Sanchez was a great, great fighter," said Pedroza. "He had skills to marvel at. I wanted so badly to face him, but the fight could just never be put together, for one reason or another. The fight would have brought out the best in both of us."

DAVIS 'FLOORED' BY SPLIT DECISION LOSS

Knockdowns Did Howard In; Rosario Saved Crown In Last Seconds

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINO





"Chapo" nails Davis to the chops (above). Rosario landed less often than expected, but his punches had the desired effect. Davis hits the deck in round two (right).

JUNE IS NOT A GOOD MONTH FOR Howard Davis Jr.

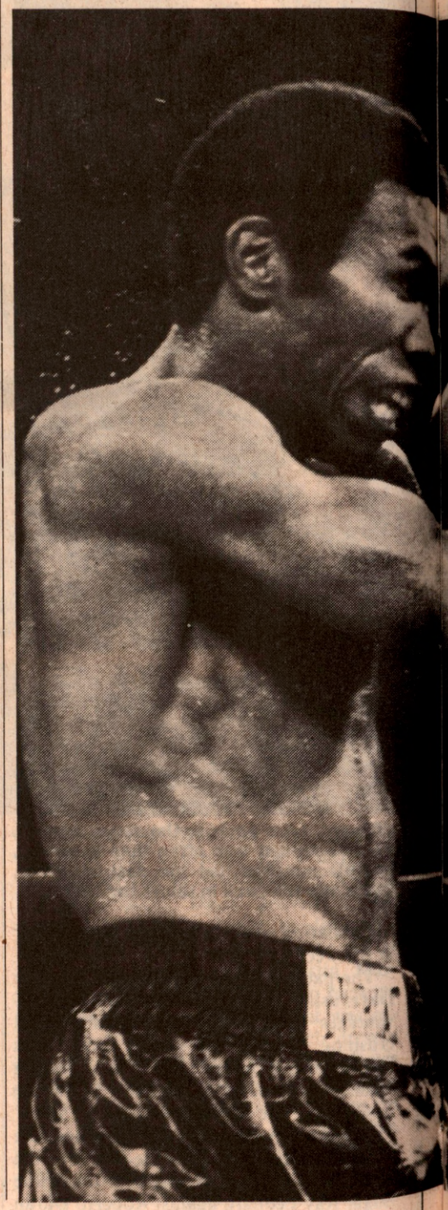
In June, 1980, Davis challenged Scotsman Jim Watt for the latter's WBC lightweight title and was tabbed a sure winner in most pre-fight analysis. On paper, the smooth boxing Long Islander who'd won a gold medal in the 1976 Olympics, seemed to have all the edges. But "personal problems" and Jim Watt's right hand intervened and Davis lost by a 15-round unanimous decision.

Four years and 13 victories later, his personal problems behind him, Davis arrived in Puerto Rico for his second attempt at winning the WBC title. For Davis, who'd won the Val Barker Award as best boxer in the '76 Games, it meant a chance to join his four gold medal-winning teammates—Leon and Michael Spinks, Leo Randolph and Sugar Ray Leonard—as Olympic champions who went on to win professional championships. But this time, the title holder blocking Davis' path was Puerto Rican boxer/slugger Edwin Rosario, whose explosive power made him a solid 8-5 favorite against the fleet-footed New Yorker. An underdog for the first time in his career, Davis put on one of his best efforts ever. But his tendency to suffer flash knockdowns did him in and again Davis failed while going the distance. Rosario kept his title by the narrowest of split decisions after 12 brisk rounds.

The weigh-in produced the usual intrigue. It was scheduled for 8 a.m. but Rosario arrived at 7:30 with his trainer, Manny Sciacca. Davis arrived a few minutes after eight, only to find that Rosario had already weighed in. At the insistance of commissioner Agustin Martinez, Rosario was forced to step back on the scale. The champion's weight was announced at 133½ pounds, which drew a sigh of relief from Rosario's camp. Davis weighed exactly 135 pounds. Following the weigh-in, Davis headed straight back to his hotel. Rosario was given a cup of hot pigeon soup, which some believe to be an effective energizer. Both fighters appeared to be calm, and there were no taunts or showboating as both men had done earlier in the week.

The pattern of the fight figured to show Davis using his speed, reach and height advantages against the boxing ability and crushing power of Rosario's fists. Davis had promised to give Rosario a boxing lesson, but Rosario countered with the Joe Louis line, "He can run, but he can't hide."

It was a surprise when Davis did not take off on a circular jaunt at the sound of the opening bell. Like his Olympic teammate Sugar Ray Leonard against Roberto Duran



The usually elusive Davis was willing to stand and punch with the champion (above). A Rosario jab falls short (right). Davis took a small lead going into the final three rounds.

in their first meeting, Davis did not play the elusive target role. He was willing to trade punches without running away. Perhaps he wanted to shed the image of himself as an overly-cautious defensive fighter.

In the first round, though, Davis did not appear too sure of himself. He constantly fell short of the mark with his fast jabs as Rosario bobbed and weaved, trying to work his way in close. The round's only effective punch was a left hook to the body by Rosario.

Davis looked rather unsure of himself for most of the second round and Rosario was gaining in confidence. Seeing an opening after Davis missed with a right cross after the two-minute mark, Rosario shot in a snapping left jab/hook that landed and sent Davis bouncing on the seat of his pants. Davis arose immediately and after the eight-count was tolled by referee Mike Jacobs, Howard ran away from the onrushing champion. But surprisingly, and inexplicably, Rosario didn't throw punches at his obviously-hurt foe. In the three-quarters of a minute which remained in the round, Edwin threw exactly one punch.

Davis came right out and surprised Rosario to start the third round. For the first time, Davis applied pressure which actually backed the champion up. The highlight of the round was a sharp right cross to the face which buckled Rosario's knees. The punch produced a swelling under Rosario's left eye. It was a swelling Davis kept taking aim at with his stinging jab the rest of the way.

From that point, Davis grew in confidence. He displayed a consistent, sometimes even aggressive offense which had Rosario looking a bit perplexed. By the end of the fourth round, Rosario was fighting only in spurts, much to the dismay of his corner. According to his co-manager, New York businessman Bill Cayton, Rosario had been hit with an elbow on his right arm, causing him great pain. Rosario believed his right wrist had been broken, the same wrist which had been surgically repaired nine months earlier. It took him until late in the fight to realize that the injury was to his arm, not to his wrist. But during the time Rosario thought his wrist was injured, he used the hand sparingly. In the seventh round, co-manager Jimmy Jacobs rushed into his fighter's corner, attempting to spark some fire into the champion in an attempt to save the title which was slipping away.

It was not until the ninth round that Rosario began to put some solid combinations together. Following the ninth, Sciacca slapped his fighter in the corner, telling him to start fighting or face the prospect of becoming an ex-champion.

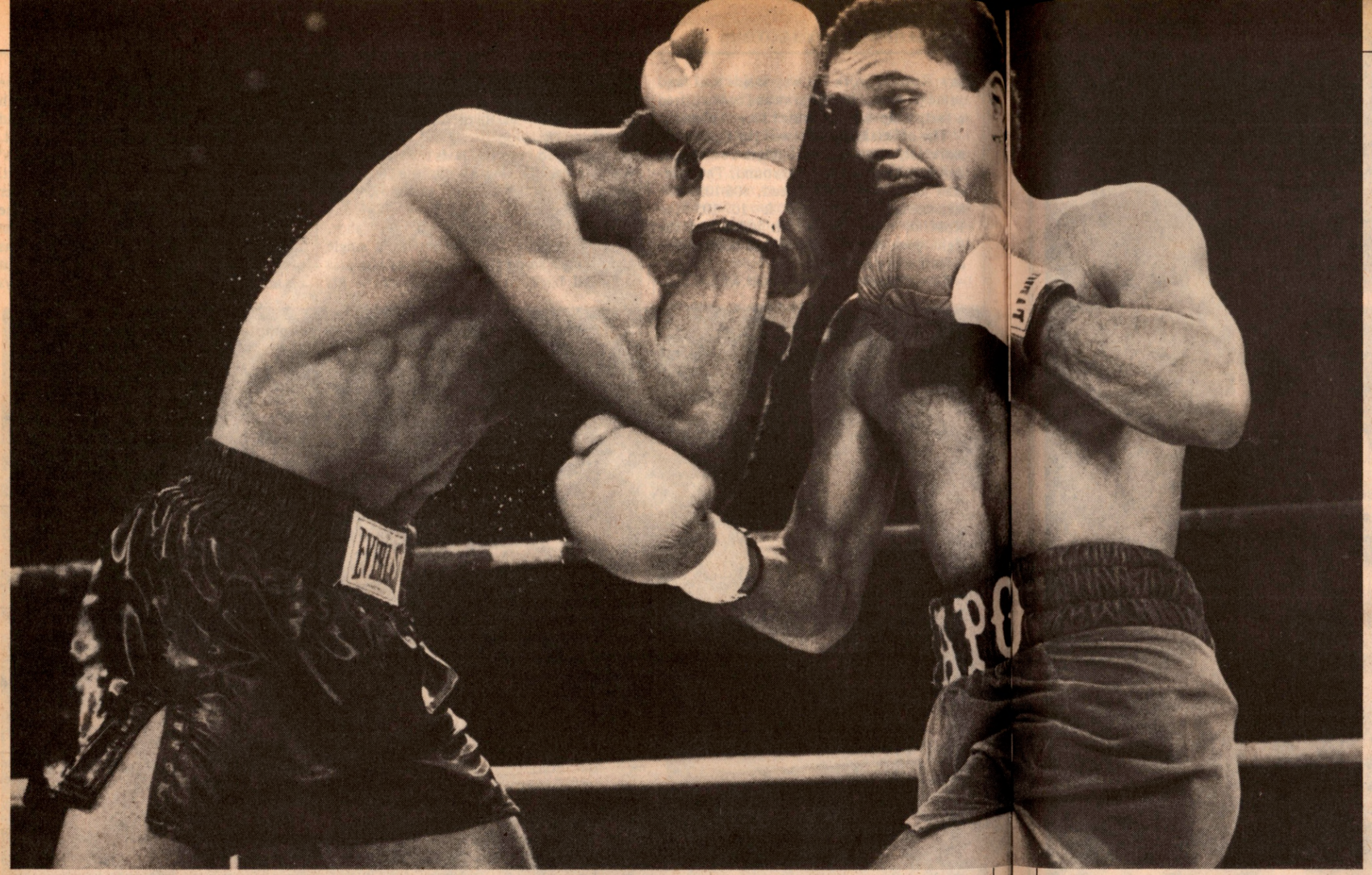
Rosario reacted positively. He came out in the 10th full of fight. He pressed the action and kept Davis on his toes. Late in the round, a solid left-right shook Davis up.

The 11th was an interesting round, which saw Rosario work his way inside and land some powerful body blows as Davis utilized a fast, whip-like jab which scored plenty.

The official cards showed the fight to be extremely close as both fighters awaited the bell for the 12th and final round. The Mexican judge had Davis ahead, 106-103. The Venezuelan judge had it 107-105 for Rosario, while the British judge had the fight even at 105-105, which seemed the closest score to the truth.

Davis began the final round with a fast-handed assault which backed Rosario up. The challenger mixed his punches well, directing most of them to the head, but switching occasionally to the body. Davis the boxer had become Davis the slugger. He was winning the round—and the fight.

Then, with about one minute to go, Rosario began punching back. Bombing back. He was loading up on every shot, looking to take Davis out with a single blow. Davis stood right in front of him and punched back. It was the advice of his father/trainer, Howard Sr., which made the younger Davis stand there and slug. With seven seconds remaining, Rosario found the punch he was looking for, a short, fast, powerful hook. It zoomed in over Davis' low-held right and crashed against his chin. Davis dropped onto his back. Many other fighters have taken the same blow from the hard-hitting Rosario, only to have the 10-count tolled over them. Davis, who has been dropped numerous times throughout his amateur and professional career, always



has gotten up. To his credit, he got up again. Referee Jacobs moved in to administer the mandatory eight-count and to wipe Davis' gloves of residue from the canvas. As he did, the final bell rang. Davis smiled. Rosario smiled. They embraced, and Davis planted a kiss on the champion's forehead. There were certainly no hard feelings.

Then came the decision. It was in Spanish. The first card was read. A cheer went up from the crowd, though it wasn't a thunderous ovation. The second card was read. The crowd reacted the same way. Davis turned to one of his cornermen and asked, "Did I win?" Then, the third card was read. The crowd erupted. Davis knew the answer to his question.

Afterwards, a dejected Davis said, "I was robbed! This was a hometown decision! I'd like a rematch!"

Rosario said, "I'll give him one any time. I had difficulty with my right elbow, causing me to slow down and hold back on my right." Rosario said he is aware that the margin of victory probably was his two knockdowns of Davis. Although Rosario said he would give Davis a rematch, the possibility of one happening are not good. Cayton and Jacobs are now looking for a big-money fight against Hector "Macho" Camacho, but even that fight cannot take place until Jose Luis Ramirez gets back in the ring against Rosario. Ramirez, the WBC's mandatory challenger, stepped aside (with the help of some money in his pocket) so that Davis could fight Rosario.

Davis, now 25-2, has nothing to be ashamed of. He fought hard and gallantly. At times he fought brilliantly. Perhaps a title awaits him if he moves up to the junior welterweight division.

For Rosario, the future is bright. It is a future filled with promises, title defenses, a possible title unification and financial security. Recognition is also coming Rosario's way—recognition as the best lightweight in the world today. Co-manager Cayton is willing to take that several steps further.

"When Rosario's career is over," says Cayton, "he is going to be talked about in terms of greatness. His name will be mentioned alongside the names of Benny Leonard, Henry Armstrong, Ike Williams and Roberto Duran."

That day is a long way off. But it's not unrealistic for Cayton to think that way.

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BECAUSE OF THE CLOSE DECISION I WAS anxious to see the fight again. Through the good graces of sports commentator Rafael Bracero I was able to get a preview of the fight telecast scheduled to go on the air locally on WAPA TV.

Viewing a fight on TV after having seen the live action can sometimes give you a different perspective. For one thing, watching on the tube you're not as swayed by the prejudices and reactions of the fans.

But after reviewing the fight on TV my opinion of the decision does not change. It was definitely a close but just decision in favor of Rosario.

Nevertheless their were some interesting factors brought into focus related to the knockdowns, to the efforts of the cornermen and to the dubious quality of the fight commentator.

One of the most striking factors was that after flooring Davis in the second round between the eleventh and twelfth round. It was at this point that Howard Davis Sr. anxiously stated:

"You gotta take it from him, he ain't gonna give you nothing, you gotta knock him down or knock him out or something in this round. At the first 30 seconds you gotta burn yourself to win this round."

Rosario failed to land even one effective blow although there was still close to a minute left in the round.

The camera was mostly played on Howard Davis in between rounds. The most revealing comments by the Davis corner that clearly expressed their feeling that they were behind were reserved for the break

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ROSARIO W 12 DAVIS (Split Decision)
June 23, 1984 **Roberto Clemente Stadium, San Juan, Puerto Rico**

For WBC lightweight title
Scheduled distance: 12 rounds
EDWIN ROSARIO (champion)
133½, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico
Seconds: Manny Sciacca (chief), Antonio Rosario, Lalo Medina
HOWARD DAVIS JR. (challenger)
135, Glen Cove, N.Y.
Seconds: Howard Davis Sr. (chief), Jimmy Glenn, Curtis Ford

Promoter: Don King Productions
Purses: Rosario—$225,000
Davis—$50,000
Odds: Rosario 8-5
Attendance: 3,000
Gate: $70,000 (est.)
Television: ABC (live)

Referee: Mike Jacobs (England) (non-scoring)
Judges: Angel Tovar (Venez.), **Sid Nathan** (Eng.), **Jose Juan Guerra** (Mex.)

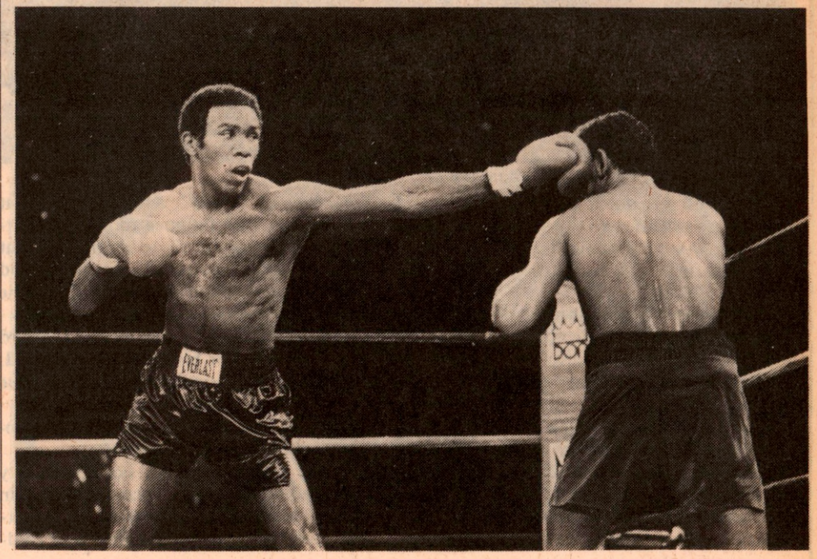
SCORECARDS 10-point must system

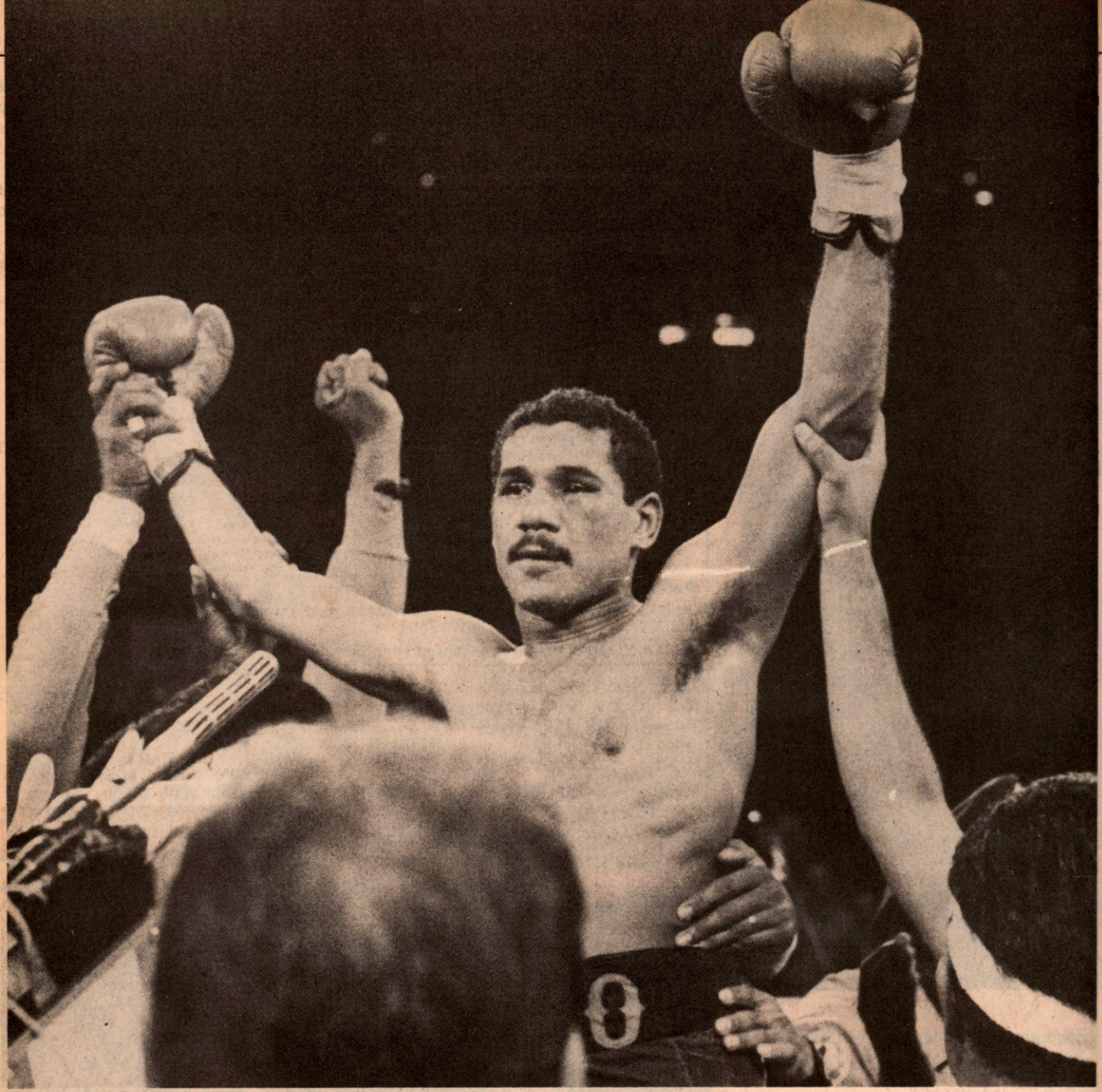
JUDGE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total	
Tovar	R	R*	D	—	R	—	D	—	—	R	D	R*	5^{+2}-3-4	(117-113) Rosario
Nathan	R	R*	D	—	R	D	D	D	D	R	—	R	5^{+1}-5 -2	(115-114) Rosario
Gaerra	R	R*	D	—	D	D	D	D	D	R	D	R*	7 -4^{+2}-1	(114-113) Davis
The Ring	*R*	*R**	*D*	*R*	*D*	*D*	*D*	*D*	*D*	*R*	*R*	*R**	*6^{+2}-6*	*(114-112) Rosario*

R = Rosario's round. D = Davis' round Dash (—) = even round (10-10)
Asterisk (*) indicates 2-pount margin (10-8) All other rounds scored 10-9

KNOCKDOWNS: 2 **Davis down:** 2—rd. 2, rd. 12

Davis covers up (left) and scores with a jab (below). Rosario, who thought he had re-injured his once-broken right hand, rarely threw the right cross.





Edwin saved his title with his final punch.

And with his intent to "burn himself" Davis threw caution to the wind, attempted the last 30-second rally, left himself open for that final left hook that spelled his doom.

But the ABC announcer Don Chevrier was something else. He continually belittled Rosario's actions and played up to Howard Davis in an exaggerrated fashion.

At the end of the ninth he claimed that Rosario had failed to win a round after the second. But Rosario had clearly won the fourth. At the end of the tenth he said Davis was "close to becoming the new champion" and stated that he was sure Rosario was arm weary. In the eleventh he was amazed at the "intensity of Davis" and asserted that Rosario was "too fatigued to mount an attack" and continued to mention that Rosario was the more tired in the last round and even after Rosario dropped Davis he thought Howard won the last round.

And finally when he interviewed Howard he did not wait for his opinion but stated, "You gotta be very disappointed because you must have thought you won."

It would seem to me that the most dissappointed figure was Don Chevrier.

It is a well known but not too widely publicized fact that ABC was influential in getting Howard Davis preferential treatment over the rightful number one challenger Jose Luis Ramirez. Could this be the reason why there was a tinge of favoritism in Don Chevrier's remarks throughout the fight?

The semi-final 10-rounder resulted in a split verdict win for Dominican feather Johnny de La Rosa (22-1) over previously undefeated Benjie Marquez (14-0) of Denver, Colorado.

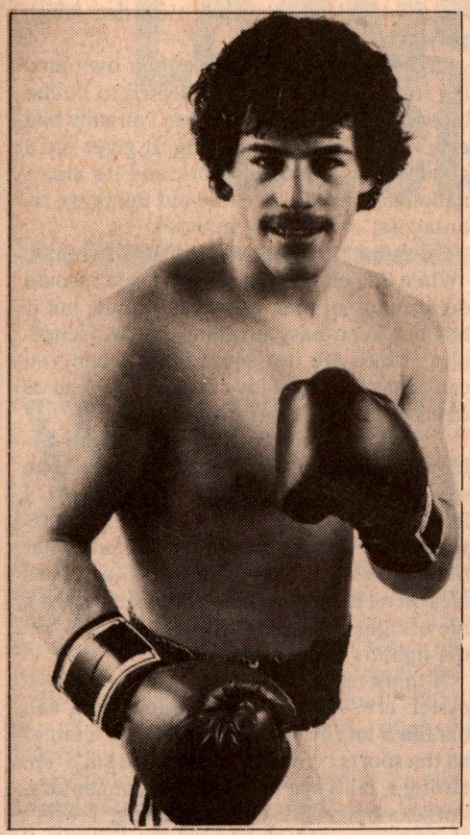
De La Rosa, who had lost a controversial title decision to Juan La Porte, was gunning for a Wilfredo Gomez title match. However in winning this one against a rather unorthodox opponent, he failed to impress. Marquez scored an early knockdown but seemed to be a little erratic in his rough and tumble style.

Puerto Rican Bantam champion Wilfredo Vazquez (14-1-1) fought a two round technical draw against Julio Guerrero (14-5-2) when he suffered an accidental butt that prompted the ref to call a halt. Junior lightweight Joe Rivera (6-1) won a close one from Victor Aponte (3-1-1-) in six rounds. Victor looked good but Joe was a little better in this fairly evenly contested match.

Junior bantamweight Juan Carazo lifted his record to 4-0 when he scored a three round kayo over Israel Santiago.

Junior featherweight Ramon kayoed Rene Merced in three of a scheduled four.

NEW FACES



BRET SUMMERS

YOU MAY HAVE HEARD THAT former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali is now a pretty fair magician (who recently got in some trouble for giving away some of his trade secrets). Meanwhile, another prestidigitator is hoping to follow in Ali's footsteps—not by saying "abra cadabra"—but by levitating to a world boxing championship.

For undefeated lightweight-and-master-of-sleight-of-hand Bret Summers, boxing is in his blood. His father, Troy, boxed his way through high school and went through college on a pugilistic scholarship. Bret, who is now 24, received his first pair of boxing gloves for Christmas at the age of three. The 135-pounder from Everett, Washington, went with his dad and his brother Todd (two years his junior) to train at the local YMCA when Bret was just eight.

Less than a year later, Bret launched his amateur career. Although he lost his first two bouts, he went on to win the North American 106-pound championship and entered the pro ranks with a career unpaid log of 343-36. He had also compiled several wins in international competition, but it was at the 1982 National Golden Gloves competition, when his dad mentioned to Emanuel Steward Bret's desire to turn pro, that he joined Steward's Detroit-based Kronk team.

Summers turned pro on May 20, 1982, with a first-round stoppage of Willie Bridges in Phoenix. He finished his first year of professional boxing with a 7-0, (5 KO's) record and upped that mark to 13-0 with eight stoppages through 1983. Although his opponents were less than awe-inspiring, Bret had shown quite a bit of flash and style for a young fighter. Summers is a natural southpaw with a potent left hand and a penchant for controlling the action in the ring. At only 5′ 6″, Bret is not especially tall for a lightweight, but he uses pressure and boxability to get inside and wear his opponent down.

Perhaps his biggest test was his first bout of 1984, a 10-round decision win over well-travelled veteran James Martinez. Bret controlled the action throughout and despite his inability to put Martinez away, the youngster showed he was ready to move up in class of opposition. Since then, he has scored two more wins to raise his pro record to 16-0 with 9 KOs.

As quick as you can say "Ali Kazam," Bret Summers may soon be working his way into the lightweight ratings.

GARY NAGER

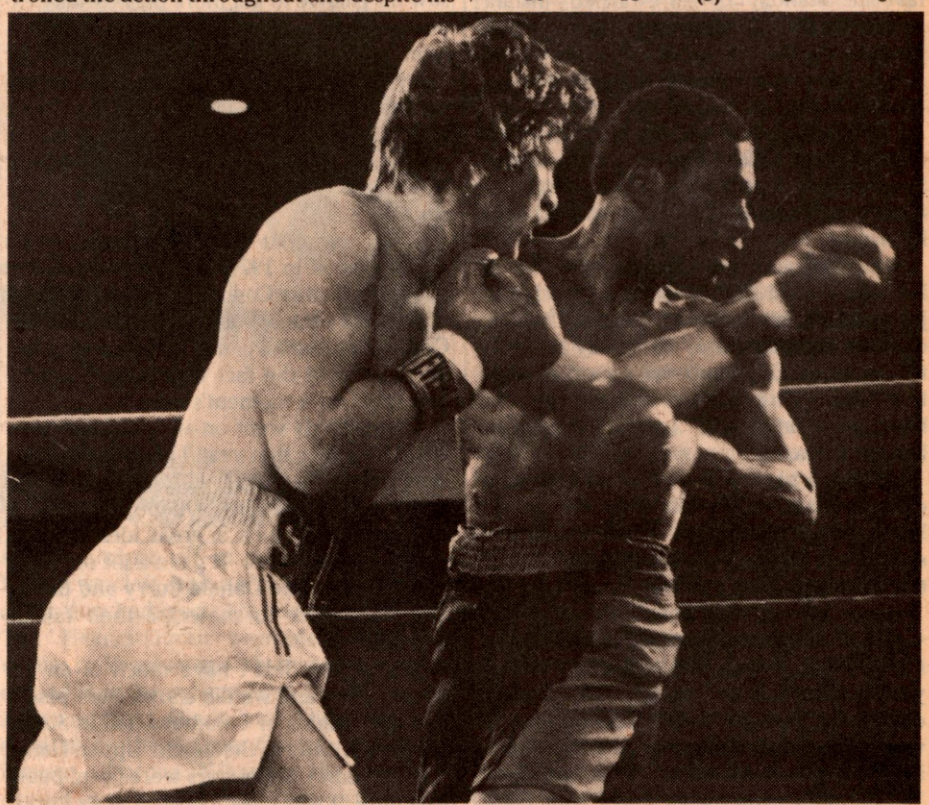
THE PROFESSIONAL RECORD OF BRET SUMMERS

Everett, WA Lightweight
Born: February 10, 1960
Height: 5′ 6″
Amateur record: 343-36
Managed and trained by: Emanuel Steward

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	RESULT
		1982	
May 20	Willie Bridges	Phoenix	KO 1
June 6	Tony Villa	Laughlin, NV	KO 1
July 10	Carlos Bryant	Phoenix	KO 3
Aug. 3	Jaime Nava	Phoenix	KO 3
Aug. 22	Roberto Juarez	Laughlin, NV	W 6
Sept. 17	Robert Spencer	Plainfield, NJ	W 6
Dec. 23	Henry Drummond	Lake Tahoe, NV	KO 3
		1983	
Apr. 7	Angelo Williams	Trenton, NJ	KO 6
Apr. 22	Walter Cowan	Detroit	KO 1
June 12	Roberto Juarez	Phoenix	W 10
July 22	Hector Medina	San Jose, CA	KO 1
Sept. 3	Mike Anderson	San Jose	W 6
Sept. 17	Caesar Guzman	Atlantic City	W 10
		1984	
Feb. 11	James Martinez	Detroit	W 10
Apr. 19	Kevin Austin	Detroit	KO 7
June 28	Steve Mitchell	Detroit	W 10

SUMMARY

BOUTS	WINS	(KOs)	LOSSES	DRAWS
16	16	(9)	0	0



Left-Handed Summers rocks Kevin Austin before scoring 7th-round KO.

IN THIS CORNER...

SAM ROSEN (Commentator)

IN THE GLITTERING WORLD OF TELEVISION, there are always going to be a few overnight sensations. However, before you send your 8" x 10" glossy off to your favorite station, be forewarned—instant stardom is the incredibly rare exception and not the rule. Most of the faces you see on the screen have been sweating a goodly portion of their lives to be where they are.

Examine, for example, the story of ESPN and Madison Square Garden commentator Sam Rosen. Sam's only 37, but he has already devoted nearly 20 years of his life to his work.

Sam graduated from the City College of New York (C.C.N.Y.) in 1968 as a speech major and journalism minor. He was the catcher for and captain of his varsity baseball team, but he knew he wasn't good enough to turn pro. "So I did what I felt was the next best thing," he recalls. "I always wanted to be a broadcaster."

He began his career in the industry as a desk assistant with WINS radio two years before he finished school. "I did writing and editing and I picked up a basic knowledge of the broadcast field."

Rosen moved to Connecticut in 1970, where he began doing morning radio news for WNAB and WICC. In September of that year, his friend, Jim Gordon, called him to do stats for the New York Knicks Radio Network, which went out to nearly 40 stations in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. "Doing radio news was O.K.," says Sam. "But a chance to do sports I couldn't turn down. Sports was where I really wanted to be." In addition to the statistical work, Sam also did the halftime and end-of-game recaps on the air.

The next step, in 1972, was as weekend sports anchor for Channel 8 in New Haven. "I also did morning news and covered the City Hall beat. But I didn't want to be an anchor, I wanted to do sports play-by-play."

In September 1973, Rosen got his chance. He went to work for the United Press International (UPI) radio network and was promoted to Sports Director in 1979. "I did the World Series, the Olympics, everything, but my favorite was doing blow-by-blow recaps of the big fights. I did Ali's bouts against Norton, Jimmy Young and Holmes, Duran-Leonard I and II and Holmes-Weaver, among others. The best thing about that experience was learning to cover ALL sports. I got to be as comfortable with golf, tennis and horse racing as I had always been with baseball, boxing, hockey and basketball."

Again, his buddy, Jim Gordon, was instrumental in advancing his career. Sam was still working full-time for UPI in 1977, but he saw his chance to get more play-by-play experience and he jumped at the opportunity. "Jim was the fill-in-play-by-play man for Marv Albert, who, of course, worked the Knicks and Rangers. One time, Jim got sick and told his boss I was the only one he trusted to fill in for him. I only did a little at first, but I've kept up the affiliation ever since."

Rosen got what must be considered his biggest break in 1979. "On September first that year, Scottie Connell at ESPN called me to fill in for someone and do a Morgan State-Grambling football game. He knew all about my work and the fact that I could handle any sport on a moment's notice.

"When ESPN went on-air with their boxing shows later that year, I got the call to do their first show, along with (former "white hope" heavyweight) Duane Bobick. I thought it was such a great idea to do a weekly boxing show. It gave a lot of young fighters, guys like Donald Curry and Bobby Czyz, a chance to showcase their talents nationwide.

"We (ESPN) didn't have much of an audience then, and we did shows from places like the Knights of Columbus hall in Scranton (Penn.) and a theater in Upper Darby (also in Penn.). Some stars were born, but at that time, it was mostly boxing at its lowest club level."

Then, in April 1980, Top Rank began its partnership with the all-sports network and "it was a tremendous thing for boxing," says Sam. "Without it, maybe no one would've ever heard of Donald Curry or Dwight Braxton. I did the first couple of months, but when they hired Sal (Marciano) in June, they used him instead. I still did fill-ins for him as well as for college football and hockey, etc. and of course, I was still working for the Madison Square Garden (MSG) network.

"When MSG started doing their own boxing shows in 1982, I was selected to do the blow-by-blow, I guess becuase I already had experience doing TV boxing. It gives me a good following in New York and it's also a national showcase because our fights are rebroadcast on the USA network."

Sam's national following is now two-fold. "When Sal left ESPN last year, I said I would do as many of their shows as I could, but it has not been easy juggling the two schedules. There are just some times when you can't make it, but I love boxing and I do as many ESPN shows as I can.

"I think people like my work as a blow-by-blow announcer because I don't presume any technical expertise about the sport. I leave that to the color man. I do my homework as far as who the fighters are and what they've done, but that's it. I keep two card files on all the bouts I cover. The first is just a file of fight dates. The other is a bio file on the fighters themselves.

"I think my greatest strengths as a broadcaster are versatility and integrity. I can handle a lot of sports because I am a fan of all the sports I cover. And, because I'm a fan, I bring a 'fan's eye view' to my commentary. For example, if a fight is boring, I won't hesitate to say so. I've never gotten any flak from the network execs because I said a fight was terrible."

Despite balancing an impossible schedule, Sam does manage to stay married and he finds enough time to help raise his two young sons. "My wife knows I'm crazy and she helps me a lot by being so understanding."

And what does this two-network commentator say is the most important thing he's learned about boxing? "Outside of the fighters themselves, I'd say the matchmakers have it the worst. It's just so hard to be a good matchmaker. Even if you put two good fighters together, styles make fights. You just have to be lucky." □

HAGLER SHOWDOWN LOOMS AFTER HEARNS DECIMATES DURAN

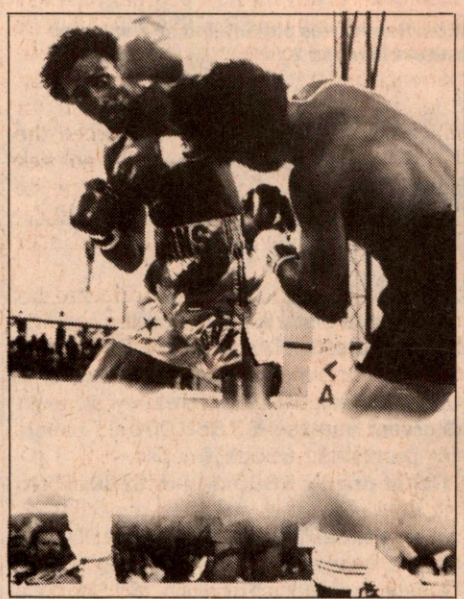
The 'Hitman' guns 'Stone Hands' into a pile of rubble and suddenly Hearns-Hagler is the hottest match in the game.

By NIGEL COLLINS

WHEN THOMAS HEARNS smashed his right fist into Roberto Duran's chin for the final time, propelling him face-first to the canvas, it meant much more than the end of one legendary career and the rebirth of another. Hearns' sensational second-round knockout provided boxing with a star at a time when box office favorites were sinking faster than oil tankers in the Persian Gulf. Suddenly the "Hit Man" was back and the old "fight game" was alive again with renewed interest.

No sooner had referee Carlos Padilla counted Duran out than speculation began to mount concerning the upcoming showdown between Hearns and Marvelous Marvin Hagler. There is nothing quite like a knockout artist to stir the blood of boxing fans. If Hearns had merely outpointed Duran, much of the magic would have been lost. But Tommy had promised a return of the cold-blooded "Hit Man" and was even bold enough to predict a second-round knockout. It was all very un-Hearns like, but he delivered on both counts, regaining much, if not all, of the glamor that had been missing since Sugar Ray Leonard dealt him the only loss of his career back in 1981.

The Hearns-Duran match was originally slated to be held in the Bahamas, but when the Larry Holmes-Gerrie Coetzee bout



failed to come off as scheduled, Caesars Palace was left with an empty 28,000-seat arena they had erected in their parking lot. The Hearns-Duran promoters switched venues to Vegas so quickly that some cynics quipped that the promotional trio of Walter Alvarez, Gold Circle and Shelteron had counted on the Holmes-Coetzee fight falling out all along. Whatever the case, the camera crews from J&J Sports (live) and CBS (delayed broadcast) showed up, along with 14,824 warm bodies, to witness what promised to be an intriguing contest. Few, however, expected the electrifying spectacle that was to unfold.

Going into the fight, Duran had practically lived down his *"no mas"* disgrace. Subsequent outings against Pipino Cuevas (KO4), Davey Moore (KO8) and Hagler (L15) had made him a hero again. Roberto was expected to give Hearns all sorts of problems with his inside attack to the body. Nobody had ever knocked out Duran (the "quit job" against Leonard not withstanding) and a number knowledgeable fight people were picking the Panamanian to pull an upset. However, the moment Duran entered the ring, it was obvious that his heart wasn't really into fighting. The killer light was missing from his eyes, and following a perfunctory flurry of shadow boxing, Roberto slumped on his stool and stayed there until the introductions. He looked like a man who was just going through the motions. Maybe he was already aware that his time at the top was almost over.

In the opening moments, both men showed a healthy respect for each other. They circled and probed with tentative jabs. But that didn't last long. The big difference was in Hearns' reach and hand speed. Duran's attempts to get inside were easily parried and Tommy's jab snaked home with enough authority to get Roberto's atten-

Above: Duran starts to fall in round 1. Color section: Hearns was patient, but he wasted no time. Final sequence shows Duran going down and out in round 2.

PHOTOS BY JACK GOODMAN

tion. And that's exactly what Hearns wanted.

"I had him looking for the jab," explained Hearns. "But it wasn't there. It was a sneaky right hand. I was looking low and punching high."

The first right caught Duran by surprise, sending him reeling backwards. Hearns stepped in and connected with two more of the same and suddenly there was blood streaming down the side of Roberto's face from a two-inch gash over his left eye.

Duran, 154, retreated, but Hearns, 153¼, was right on top of him. Another sizzling right found its target and Duran hit the deck with a thud. The crowd gave a collective gasp. It was such a shock to see Duran hurt. Not since his second fight with Esteban DeJesus, way back in 1974, had anyone put *"Manos de Piedra"* on the floor.

Duran slowly regained his feet and Hearns moved in, firing both hands in tandem. The punches were coming so fast and furious that poor Roberto just didn't know what to do. After fielding half-a-dozen more hard shots to the head and body, he fell to the canvas. As Duran hit the boards for the second time, he seemed to flag his hand at Hearns, almost in the same way he waved Leonard off in their second encounter. This time, however, Roberto found the courage to climb unsteadily to his feet and face his tormentor.

The moment Hearns resumed his assault, the bell sounded, granting Duran a temporary stay of execution.

There was great excitement in Hearns' corner, but Emanuel Steward managed to keep the lid on.

"I told them, 'It's not over. The man is still dangerous,'" said Steward. "But we knew he was dazed and it was only a matter of time."

As it turned out, it was only a matter of one minute and seven seconds. Duran appeared groggy from the beating he had absorbed the previous round, but he still had enough left to briefly stall Tommy's attack. He tagged Hearns with a strong right to the head as the champion moved in for the kill.

"It made me stop and think for a second," remembered Hearns. "I had to step back and regroup."

That lone right hand was to be the last (and only) serious punch Duran was to land. He managed to grab and hold for a few seconds, but after the break, the "Hit Man" cut loose with perhaps the best right he's thrown since he lifted the WBA welterweight crown from Cuevas.

The punch caught Duran flush on the side of the jaw, sending him pitching forward so fast that Hearns had to jump back in order to avoid getting clipped by Duran's body as he fell. Padilla dispensed with the formality of a count. Duran hardly stirred a muscle until two members of his camp rushed into the ring and gently helped him to his feet. He had been defeated in such a devastating manner that even his most ardent admirers were forced to admit that

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HEARNS KO 2 DURAN (Referee stops contest. Time: 1:07)
June 15, 1984 Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, Nev.

For WORLD JR. MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE
THOMAS HEARNS (champion)
153¾, Detroit, Mich.
Seconds: Emanuel Steward (chief), Ralph Citro, Prentice Byrd
ROBERTO DURAN (challenger)
154, Panama City, Panama
Seconds: Luis Spada (chief), Juan Silvestri, Nestor Quinones

Scheduled distance: 12 rounds
Promoters: Shelteron (Shelly Saltman and Ronald Glazer), Gold Circle (Bill Kozerski), Walter Alvarez
Purses: Hearns—$1,850,000
Duran—$1,850,000
Ticket prices: $300, $200, $100, $50, $25
Attendance: 14,824 **Gate:** $1,195,525
Odds: Hearns 2-1
Television: Closed circuit—J&J Sports

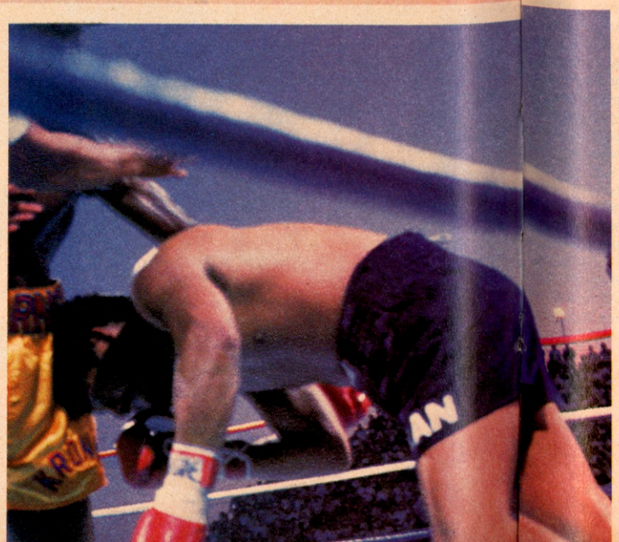
Officials assigned by WBC and Nevada Athletic Commission
Referee: Carlos Padilla Jr.
Judges: Harry Gibbs (England), **Jean Deswert** (Belgium), **Newton Campos** (Brazil)
Timekeepers: Charlie Roth, Jane Broadfoot

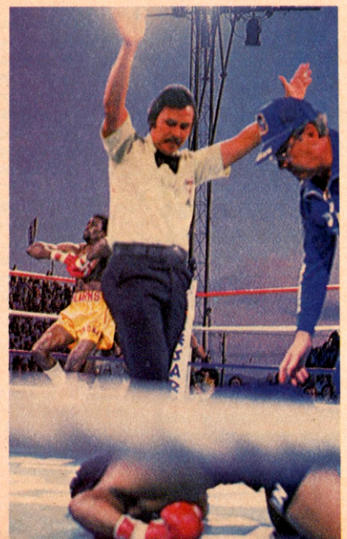
SCORECARDS 10-point must system

JUDGE	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	Total (through 1 round)
Gibbs	H³	3-0 (10-7) **Hearns**
Deswert	H³	4-0 (10-7) **Hearns**
Campos	H⁴	4-0 (10-6) **Hearns**

H = Hearns' round. Superscript indicates points scored (ie. 3 means 10-7)

KNOCKDOWNS: 3 **Duran down:** 3—rd. 1 (2), rd. 2
Duran down at time of stoppage.





Duran was finished as a championship caliber fighter.

(It is interesting to note that despite the fact that Hearns was the WBC junior middleweight champ, and that Duran held the WBA version, this was not a unification bout. The second Duran stepped into the ring, the WBA stripped him of his belt for failing to honor a mandatory date with top contender Mike McCallum. This one will go into the book a just a defense of Hearns' title.)

"It wasn't Tommy's height as much as his speed," claimed the insightful Steward shortly after the fight. "People forget that he has the fastest hands in boxing."

HEARNS WAS NATURALLY DElighted with his dazzling performance.

"You thought I was crazy (making the prediction) didn't you?" he asked the press, smiling and cuddling his infant daughter. "As you know, that was my first prediction. I'm glad it came out right. But I don't think I'm going to do that again."

Duran, who saw his record dip to 76-6, 57 KO's, showed up long enough to offer his congratulations, admitting that he had been "surprised" by Hearns. Several days later he returned to Panama and announced his retirement.

Although Steward might be right when he credited Hearns' hand speed for his surprisingly easy win, Tommy's revamped attitude also had a lot to do with it. It's hard to come back when you've never really been away, but that's what Hearns did. Before the Leonard defeat, Hearns enjoyed the reputation as one of boxing's best punchers. The fact that he insisted on being called the "Motor City Cobra" instead of the "Hit Man" took some luster off, but as long as his opponents were biting the dust, nobody gave a damn what it said on the back of Tommy's robe. But after the defeat to Sugar Ray, the image faded along with his knockout percentage. Hearns' reputation was badly in need of a shot of pizzazz, and the Duran victory was just the tonic.

Some fights establish a fighter, while others lay the groundwork for bigger matches to come. The Hearns-Duran affair did both. It reestablished Hearns—for the time being, at least—as a major gate attraction and also served as a perfect lead-in for the Hagler-Hearns confrontation.

HEARNS FIRED THE FIRST volley in the war of words by saying that Hagler was probably "shaking like a leaf" as he watched Tommy destroy Duran. Needless to say, Marvelous Marvin scoffed at such a suggestion.

"Let him (Hearns) put the pen where his mouth is," snarled Hagler. "I softened Duran up for Hearns. He was only a shell of a fighter after I got finished with him."

Hagler's manager/trainer Goody Petronelli also thinks Hearns is full of hot air.

"Let's not forget that Hearns has already pulled out of one fight with Marvin," recalls Goody in reference to the scheduled match between the pair that was cancelled over two years ago. At that time, Hearns claimed to have reinjured his right hand in training, but the Hagler people have always maintained that it was all just an excuse.

"Marvin called Tommy yellow then and he hasn't changed his mind," continued Petronelli. "But I hope the knockout over Duran will give Hearns a little bit of confidence. I say stop all the yakking and let's do it."

There are, of course, two way of looking at the upcoming battle. Besides faring far better against Duran than Hagler did, Hearns also holds a reach advantage over the middleweight champion. On the other hand, Hagler has an excellent history against tall fighters. Lanky boxer-puncher types like Fulgencio Obelmejias, Willie (The Worm) Monroe and Bobby (Boogaloo) Watts all fell apart under Marvin's ambidextrous attack. Then there is the fact that Hagler has been looking a bit frayed around the edges in his last few fights. Duran extended him the entire 15 rounds and Juan Roldan scored a knockdown (albeit jaded) before succumbing. There are also those who feel that if Roldan hadn't been thumbed in the eye, he might very well have given Hagler even more trouble than he did.

This kind of debate will rage on until fight time, but it's all academic. Hagler is not Duran and Hearns is certainly not Fulgencio Obelmejias. Nevertheless, it all adds up to a highly attractive match.

The right hand that laid Duran low wasn't the only bombshell Hearns dropped. After throwing the gauntlet in Hagler's face, he immediately leaped ahead to none other than Michael Spinks.

"When I beat Hagler, I will move on to Michael Spinks," proclaimed Tommy, without even blinking an eye.

This is no idle boast. At the relatively tender age of 25 and with a 6-foot-1 frame, Hearns could conceivably put on the additional poundage necessary to challenge for the light heavyweight title. Spinks and his promoter Butch Lewis, desperate for a big payday, are very receptive to the idea.

"We would love to fight Tommy," said Lewis. "Just send Emanuel Steward my phone number. I don't ever want him to say he couldn't get in contact with me."

But that's jumping the gun. Getting past Hagler is no minor hurdle. Marvin hasn't tasted defeat since Monroe won the first of three meetings (by decision) in 1976. He's not about to roll over and play dead just because Hearns wants to win four titles in four different divisions.

Hearns, who raised his record to 39-1, 33 KO's by icing Duran, finally put the hit back into the "Hit Man". The next question is whether or not he can keep it there against a man considered by many to be the finest fighter, pound-for-pound, active today. ■

International Ratings

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(weight unlimited)
WORLD CHAMPION

LARRY HOLMES△ ..... Easton, Pa.
1. **Gerrie Coetzee*** ..... South Africa
2. **Tim Witherspoon**** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3. **Michael Dokes** ..... Akron, Ohio
4. **Pinklon Thomas** ..... Wyncotte, Pa.
5. **Greg Page** ..... Louisville, Ky.
6. **Mike Weaver** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7. **Trevor Berbick** ..... Halifax, Canada
8. **David Bey** ..... Pittsburgh, Pa.
9. **John Tate** ..... Knoxville, Tenn.
10. **James Smith** ..... Magnolia, N.C.

11. (Tie) James Broad, Tony Tubbs 13. (Tie) Frank Bruno, Eddie Gregg 15. (Tie) Carl Williams, Randall (Tex) Cobb, Renaldo Snipes 18. (Tie) Jeff Sims, Marvis Frazier, George Chaplin

CRUISERWEIGHTS
(not over 195 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS DE LEON** ..... Puerto Rico
1. **Osvaldo Ocasio*** ..... Puerto Rico
2. **Anthony Davis** ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
3. **John Odhiambo** ..... Uganda
4. **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** ..... Brooklyn, N.Y.
5. **S.T. Gordon** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6. **Alfonso Ratliff** ..... Chicago, Ill.
7. **Henry Hearns** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8. **Marvin Camel**△ ..... Missoula, Mont.
9. **Leroy Murphy** ..... Chicago, Ill.
10. **Randy Stephens** ..... Dallas, Texas

11. Chisanda Mutti 12. Young Joe Louis 13. Alvaro Lopez 14. Elijah Tillery 15. David Pearce

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MICHAEL SPINKS* **△ ..... St. Louis, Mo.
1. **Dwight Braxton** ..... Camden, N.J.
2. **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** ..... Brooklyn, N.Y.
3. **Eddie Davis** ..... Freeport, N.Y.
4. **Willie Edwards** ..... Detroit, Mich.
5. **Marvin Johnson** ..... Indianapolis, Ind.
6. **Oscar Rivadeneyra** ..... Vineland, N.J.
7. **Pete McIntyre** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8. **Jean-Marie Emebe** ..... Cameroons
9. **Richie Kates** ..... Bridgeton, N.J.
10. **Fulgencio Obelmejias** ..... Venezuela

11. Alex Blanchard 12. (Tie) John Davis, Cesar Romero 14. David Sears 15. Tim Broady 16. Anthony Witherspoon 17. Charlie Singleton 18. Mike Rossman 19. Jose Flores

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

M. MARVIN HAGLER* **△ ..... Brockton, Mass.
1. **Mustafa Hamsho** ..... Syria
2. **James Shuler** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3. **James Kinchen** ..... San Diego, Calif.
4. **Dwight Davison** ..... Detroit, Mich.
5. **Juan D. Roldan** ..... Argentina
6. **Don Lee** ..... Gary, Ind.
7. **Tony Sibson** ..... England
8. **Frank Fletcher** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9. **Alex Ramos** ..... Bronx, N.Y.
10. **Curtis Parker** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.

11. Murray Sutherland 12. Bobby Czyz 13. (Tie) John Collins, Mark Holmes 15. Nestor Flores

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

THOMAS HEARNS** ..... Detroit, Mich.
1. **Mike McCallum** ..... New York, N.Y.
2. **John Mugabi** ..... Uganda
3. **Fred Hutchings** ..... Stockton, Calif.
4. **Mark Medal**△ ..... Jersey City, N.J.
5. **Davey Moore** ..... Bronx, N.Y.
6. **David Braxton** ..... Detroit, Mich.
7. **Earl Hargrove** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
8. **Herol Graham** ..... England
9. **James Green** ..... Irvington, N.J.
10. **Wilfred Benitez** ..... Puerto Rico

11. Julian Jackson 12. (Tie) Francisco DeJesus, Buster Drayton 14. Sean Mannion 15. Luigi Minchillo

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Donald Curry*** △ ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
2. **Milton McCrory**** ..... Detroit, Mich.
3. **Colin Jones** ..... Wales
4. **Nino LaRocca** ..... Italy
5. **Tommy Ayers** ..... Cincinnati, Ohio
6. **Simon Brown** ..... Washington, D.C.
7. **Maurice Blocker** ..... Washington, D.C.
8. **Pedro Vilella** ..... New York City
9. **Marlon Starling** ..... Hartford, Conn.
10. **Roger Stafford** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.

11. Jun-Suk Hwang 12. Elio Diaz 13. Juan Rondon 14. Milton Guest 15. Lupe Aquino 16. Carlos Trujillo 17. Pablo Baez 18. (Tie) Robert Rucker, Kevin Howard

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Aaron Pryor**△ ..... Cincinnati, Ohio
2. **Billy Costello**** ..... Kingston, N.Y.
3. **Gene Hatcher*** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
4. **Johnny Bumphus** ..... Clementon, N.J.
5. **Ronnie Shields** ..... Pt. Arthur, Texas.
6. **Leroy Haley** ..... Las Vegas, Nevada
7. **Saoul Mamby** ..... Bronx, .Y.
8. **Patrizio Oliva** ..... Italy
9. **Gary Hinton** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
10. **Hugo Hernandez** ..... Argentina

11. (Tie) Lorenzo Garcia, Bruce Curry 13. Mario Cusson 14. Ubaldo Sacco 15. (Tie) Reyes Cruz, Rene Arredondo, Clint McKenzie 18. Hidekazu Akai 19. Sang-Ho Lee

Ratings as of July 18, 1984

*WBA CHAMPION
**WBC CHAMPION
△ IBF CHAMPION

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LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Edwin Rosario**** ..... Puerto Rico
2. **Livingstone Bramble*** ..... Passaic, N.J.
3. **Tyrone Crawley** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4. **Ray Mancini** ..... Youngstown, Ohio
5. **Howard Davis, Jr.** ..... Glen Cove, N.Y.
6. **Harry Arroyo**△ ..... Youngstown, Ohio
7. **Hector Camacho** ..... New York, N.Y.
8. **Jose Luis Ramirez** ..... Mexico
9. **Robin Blake** ..... Levelland, Tex.
10. **Jimmy Paul** ..... Detroit, Mich.

11. Alvin Hayes 12. (Tie) Orlando Romero, Charles "White Lightning" Brown 14. (Tie) Ken Bogner, Charlie "Choo Choo" Brown, Terrance Alli 17. Nick Furlano 18. Frankie Randall

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ROCKY LOCKRIDGE* ..... Maple Shade, N.J.
1. **Hector Camacho**** ..... New York, N.Y.
2. **Roger Mayweather** ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
3. **Bobby Chacon** ..... Oroville, Calif.
4. **Rafael Solis** ..... Puerto Rico
5. **Edgar Castro** ..... Venezuela
6. **Julio Chavez** ..... Mexico
7. **Mario Martinez** ..... Mexico
8. **Yonekura Ikhoni** ..... Japan
9. **Jean Marc Renard** ..... Belgium
10. **Rolando Navarrete** ..... Hawaii

11. Il-Bok Lee 12. Tae-Jin Moon 13. Refugio Rojas 14. (Tie) Yoshimitsu Azato, Kenny Baysmore

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

EUSEBIO PEDROZA* ..... Panama
1. **Wilfredo Gomez**** ..... Puerto Rico
2. **Juan LaPorte** ..... New York, N.Y.
3. **Barry McGuigan** ..... Ireland
4. **Azumah Nelson** ..... Guam
5. **Marcos Villasana** ..... Mexico
6. **Johnny De La Rosa** ..... Miami, Fla.
7. **Ruben Castillo** ..... Bakersfield, Calif.
8. **Jackie Beard** ..... Detroit, Mich.
9. **Bernard Taylor** ..... Knoxville, Tenn.
10. **Richard Savage** ..... W. Monroe, La.

11. Irving Mitchell 12. (Tie) Oscar Bejines, Jorge Lujan 14. Gerald Hayes 15. Angel Mayor 16. Tyrone Jackson 17. Paul DeVorce

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 122 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Jaime Garza**** ..... Los Angeles, California
2. **Victor Callejas*** ..... Puerto Rico
3. **Mike Ayala** ..... New York, N.Y.
4. **Loris Stecca** ..... Italy
5. **Felipe Orozco** ..... Colombia
6. **Juan (Kid) Meza** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7. **Leo Cruz** ..... Dominican Republic
8. **Bernardo Checa** ..... Panama
9. **Julian Solis** ..... Puerto Rico
10. **Raul Gonzalez** ..... Venezuela

11. Seung-Hoon Lee 12. Oscar Muniz 13. (Tie) Bobby Berna, Ji-Won Kim 15. (Tie) Pongpan Sorphayathai, Ramon Dominguez

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

RICHARD SANDOVAL* ..... Los Angeles, California
1. **Albert Davila**** ..... Pomona, Calif.
2. **Jeff Chandler** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3. **Jiro Watanabe** ..... Japan
4. **Enrique Sanchez** ..... Dominican Republic
5. **Oscar Muniz** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6. **Edgar Roman** ..... Caracas, Venezuela
7. **Payao Poontarat** ..... Thailand
8. **Gaby Canizales** ..... Laredo, Texas
9. **Rafael Orono** ..... Venezuela
10. **Harold Petty** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas

11. Freddie Jackson 12. Miguel Lora 13. Daniel Blanco 14. Paul Ferreri 15. Jorge Ramirez

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

GABRIEL BERNAL** ..... Mexico
1. **Santos Laciar*** ..... Argentina
2. **Jung-Koo Chang** ..... Korea
3. **Francisco Quiroz** ..... Dominican Republic
4. **Lupe Madera** ..... Mexico
5. **Freddie Castillo** ..... Mexico
6. **Koji Kobayashi** ..... Japan
7. **Katsuo Tokashiki** ..... Japan
8. **Prudencio Cardona** ..... Colombia
9. **German Torres** ..... Mexico
10. **Charlie Magri** ..... England

11. (Tie) Candido Tellez, Juan Herrera 13. (Tie) Reinaldo Becerra, Joey Olivo 15. Alonzo Strongbow 16. (Tie) Eleoncio Mercedes, Isidro Perez 18. Jose de Jesus 19. (Tie) Francisco Montiel, Sugar Rojas

By J.R. JOWETT and JACK OBERMAYER

PRYOR OVERCOMES 'ROCKY' FURLANO

THEY SAID IT WOULD BE A joke but when it was over there wasn't a trace of a smirk on the face of Aaron Pryor. Nobody—and we're including the local media—gave the hometown lad a chance to last the 15 rounds, let alone win.

Pryor had come into this IBF title defense after a nine-month layoff but it didn't figure to matter.

[Editor's note: Pryor last defended the World (and WBA) Junior Welterweight Championship on September 9, 1983, knocking out Alexis Arguello in 10 rounds in Las Vegas. On October 26, faced with a WBA demand that he defend the title against Johnny Bumphus, Pryor announced his retirement as undefeated champion. THE RING was personally assured by Pryor and his attorney, Robert Buechner of Cincinnati, that Pryor was indeed retired. Although THE RING suspected that Pryor might change his mind we took Pryor at his word and held the world title to be vacant. Since then, Johnny Bumphus and then Gene Hatcher won the WBA title and Billy Costello won the WBC belt. When Pryor announced his return to the ring, the International Boxing Federation, sensing a golden opportunity to pick up a star titleholder, announced that Pryor was IBF champion. It is that title that Pryor defended in Toronto. A retired ex-champion cannot reclaim his title merely by coming out of retirement. The World Junior Welterweight Championship as recognized by THE RING is still vacant and will remain that way until it is settled in the ring.]

Only two men had gone the full route with Aaron Pryor (another Canadian, Gary Summerhays being the last) while he amassed his 34-0 record with the highest KO ratio (94 percent) of any world champion in

'Hawk Time' was out of synch at Aaron Pryor's return to the ring, but Pryor still had the firepower to turn back a determined challenger to his new title.

THE RING BOXSCORE™

PRYOR W 15 FURLANO (Unanimous decision)

June 22, 1984 **Varsity Stadium, Univ. of Toronto, Toronto, Canada**

For IBF junior welterweight title
Scheduled distance: 15 rounds
AARON PRYOR (Champion)
139½, Cincinnati, Ohio
Seconds: Mazaughn Kemp (Chief), Eddie Aliano
NICKY FURLANO (Challenger)
140, Toronto, Ontario
Seconds: Travis Sugden (Chief), Ralph Citro

Promoters: Don Elbaum Enterprises
Purses: (U.S. $) Pryor—$400,00
Furlano—$75,000
Attendance: 4,000 (Capacity: 26,000)
Ticket prices: (Canadian $) $200, $100, $75, $50, $25, $10

Referee: Harold Davis (non-scoring)
Judges: Chuck Williams, Vinnie Rainone, Frank Brunette

SCORECARDS 10-point must system

JUDGE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Total (through 1 round)	
Williams	P*	P	P	P	P	P	—	F	F	P	P	—	P	—	—	9^{+1}-2-4 (148-140)	Pryor
Rainone	P⁑	F	P	P	F	P	F	P	—	P	P	P	P	P	F	10^{+2}-4-1 (146-138)	Pryor
Brunette	P*	P	P	P	P	—	F	P	P	P	F	P	P	F	F	10^{+1}-4-1 (146-139)	Pryor
The Ring	*P⁑*	*P*	*F*	*P*	*P*	*P*	*F*	*F*	*F*	*P*	*—*	*P*	*P*	*P*	*F*	*9^{+2}-5-1 (145-139)*	*Pryor*

P = Pryor's round. F = Furlano's round Dash (—) = even round (10-10)
Asterisk (*) indicates a 10-8 round ⁑ indicates a 10-7 round

KNOCKDOWNS: 2 **Furlano down:** 2—rd. 1 (2)

history. Nicky Furlano knocked him out of first place.

Nicky was a stayer. He was no stranger to long nights in the ring. He had seven bouts of twelve or more rounds, compared to Aaron's two, and while the Toronto resident had lost eight times, he had never been stopped. Okay, he didn't win, but he sure pulled a "Rocky" by going the distance with the baddest cat on the block. He thereby shamed the experts, exonerated the IBF sanction and most of all showed that heart has as much to do with the sport of boxing as does skill.

Not very long ago, he was a 185-lb. wreck; a going nowhere nobody who had squandered his talents—a has been if you will. On this night, as the clock pressed tomorrow, the father who had in those dark days, called him a bum, garbage; embraced his son with true paternal love. The punk street kid was as much a winner as Aaron Pryor could possibly be.

Nicky Furlano, a bulked up junior lightweight, got off the canvas twice in the first round to make a total pest of himself against a bona fide "crazy man" in "The Hawk."

Furlano was first into the ring, followed by a boisterous bunch of tough guy

cheerleaders. Pryor used reverse psychology and had his four children accompany him. Would grown men actually feel victoriously macho by taunting a father and his flock? The champ, instead of a robe, wore a U.S. flag muscle shirt. Ring announcer Tony Unitas blundered by introducing Aaron first. To one-up the usual Pryor "straight-arm stare down", Furlano gave him the up yours "Italian salute." The bout was to commence under IBF rules, with the local commission getting to choose one judge and the referee.

Oh no, what's this, hey? The soothsayers were right. Round one and down goes Furlano. This was it. All week before the fight, Pryor had said it might end early. "If he makes a mistake in the first round, we'll all be going home early."

The champ landed his knockdown left hook after the 2-minute mark in the round. It was set up as only "The Hawk" can do, when both had misfired with near-simultaneous rights. Aaron then pulled one of his unrehearsed (?) and unorthodox moves by reaching back across with a blind side wild hook that caught the challenger still in his follow through. It was a clean grade-A knockdown. Furlano admitted later that, "he caught me blind and off-balance." Up at six, he staggered back into his own corner. He went down again, more from a push/punch right to the top of the head of a swaying Furlano. In neither case, did referee Harold Davis force Pryor to stay in a neutral corner; "The Hawk" was ready to pounce. Nicky kept his cool however as Pryor flew down on him. He took the full rest and then smartly took the rest of the round off by moving away in order to clear his head, rather then go with the street instincts of a suicide punch-out as did Duran against Hearns. Said Furlano, "I just tried to get my composure back. If you go down, you gotta get up."

Even though the challenger would not say that the knockdowns affected his game plan, he did have to virtually give away the next few rounds to get his act together. Through much of these early rounds, Pryor clowned, mugged and feigned being hurt, but would later get lectures from his corner to be serious: "This is a championship fight, get your hands up."

Well, he got serious when he saw how serious Nicky was about getting back into this thing. Pryor was still dominating and fought best when Furlano actually had the audacity to make a charge. Aaron, looking like he could have used a can of Rustoleum, labored, but in his ever pressing will-to-win spirit, he punched and punched his way through it. He punched in bunches, driving home his return notice. Missing often, it was sheer volume over quality. It kept Furlano on the covering defensive for the most part; able only to get off an occasional good shot to keep it honest and interesting.

With rounds seven, eight and nine, Nicky started to come alive. He could stay with the champ. He picked his spots with more efficiency and landed the better single shots. Nothing earth-shattering, but enough to clean out Pryor's nose a few times and give him some tens on the scorecards. The late part of round nine brought the best exchanges of the night thus far.

Pryor was aghast. He came out smoking in the tenth, bent on clawing for good this feisty field mouse. Two good rights early on had Furlano covering on the ropes, but once again he rode out the rain of punches. Pryor started round eleven the same way but this time Nicky answered back with a solid hook to the body and later a booming right, while catching many of Aaron's shots on the gloves. Brother, this was turning into some scrap.

Round twelve saw Furlano land his best punch of the entire fight. He took the initiative from the bell as the spunky punk just wouldn't wilt. The left hook he landed to Pryor's mid-section got no smirk response this time; it was more like a painful wince. Inexplicably Furlano let up. Trying to control his rising emotions, he let his best round slip away.

The last three rounds saw both eager to get it on. Pryor started the 13th mad, peppering, talking and clowning. Furlano held up his end with a businesslike right that drove Pryor into a corner. The champ was frustrated at rounds end, as he slowly followed Furlano back to his stool.

Round 14 saw Pryor with a clearly ignominious nose bleed. Good God, there was blood on the champs white trunks! Later, Pryor most assuredly felt a left hook and tried in disgust to put his opponent away. This "champion's surge" got him the round, if not his knockout. In the last round, Furlano took a page from the Pryor notebook and took the offensive in a too-late-to-win last ditch effort. It was the first time that he had thrown and landed more than Pryor, as both punched to the final bell.

NOTES: A pull-out TV guide in the Sunday paper before the fight, had the fight listed to be shown the next day. This probably accounted for many no-shows. Post-

fight quotes: Furlano: "I'm taking it as a big accomplishment in my career. This was only my second fight in over a year. I fought off rust too. I was trying to put pressure on Pryor and wear him out. I felt physically stronger. I weighed only 132½ when I started training for this fight." On what advantage did Pryor have, he answered, "Being Aaron Pryor, the undefeated champion."

It was thought (denied by Pryor) that Furlano had broken the champ's nose. When asked in what round Nicky hit him in the nose, the champ got laughter as a response when he said, "Every round." Other Pryor quotes: "You can't force a knockout if it's not there. Nicky gave me exactly what I needed (a good test). I was expecting him to do that. After what he did here tonight, I have to respect Nicky Furlano." As the two boxers were just about to shake hands and leave the press room, Pryor was asked if he was going home or going to party. Pryor answered, "Go home with my kids, they got no babysitter, I'm divorced."

Not much of a prelim card in the Great White North. Where were the mentioned Vito Antuofermo, Remo DiCarlo and Bobby Chacon? An excellent all-Canadian heavyweight showdown was to have featured "Razor" Ruddick against Gordie Racette. That became a casualty of the power struggle between promoter Don Elbaum and Irv Ungerman, Ruddick's manager. Ungerman claimed Don gave him a fast shuffle of opponents and purse cuts. Elbaum countered that Irv just wanted to wreck his future in Toronto. The other names fell like moose droppings on the tundra, so that the resultant bouts, while competitive, had little talent and no "names."

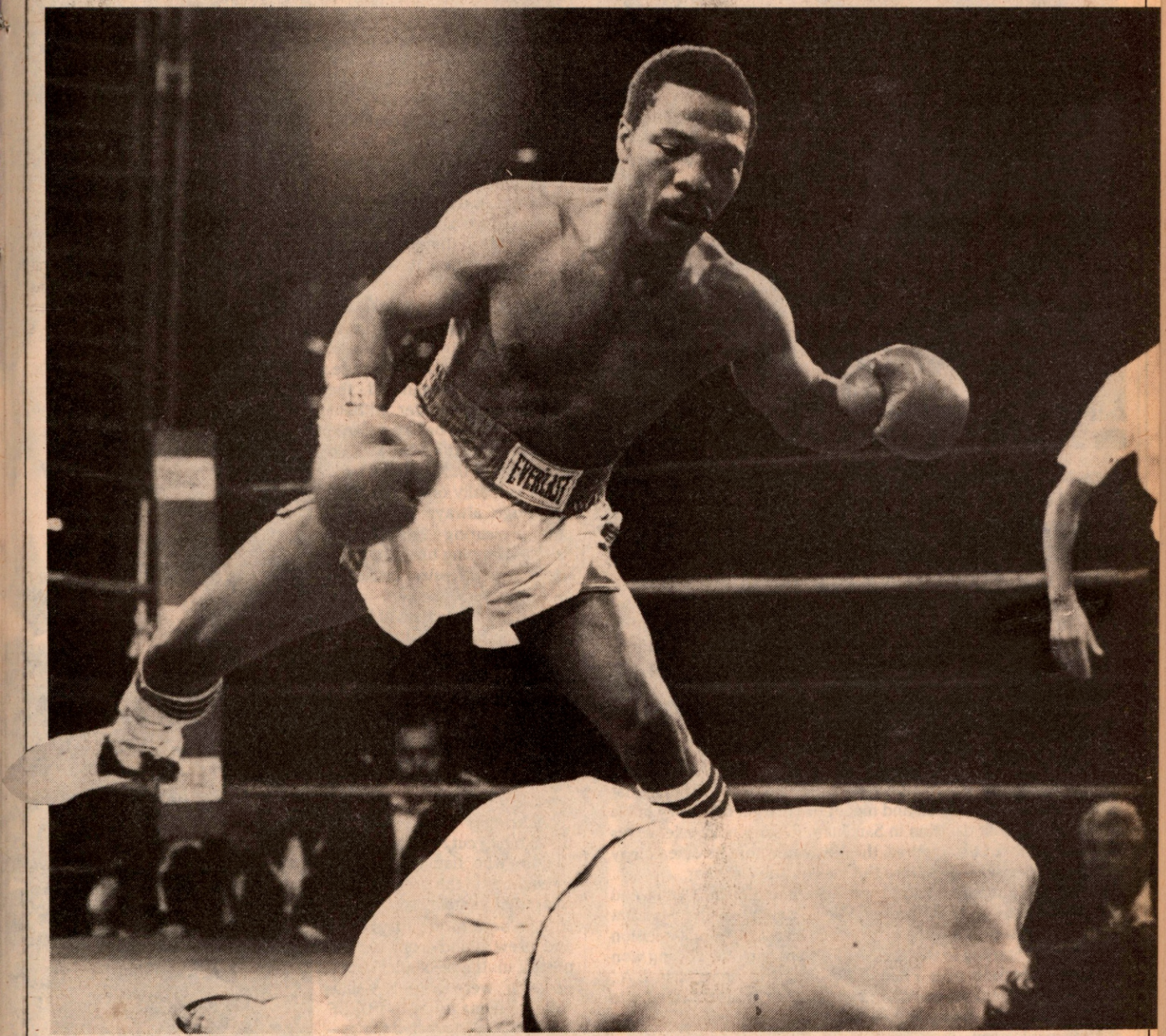
Willie Featherstone, 170, Toronto, beat Tony Curovic, 175½, Maple Heights, Ohio, by unanimous decision, eight. Ref Lionel B. Sullivan had to work to keep order in a mauler. Willie showed more feathers than stones, as he pounded Curovic like a bag, with about as much effect.

Southpaw Ricky Anderson, 143, Halifax, Nova Scotia, won on disqualification over Jerome Artis, 143, Phila., at 2:05 of the fifth; scheduled for eight. Artis, Pryor's sparring partner was behind in the fight, and had been warned three times for low blows when ref Sammy Luftspring threw him out. You can't go South of the border North of the border, hey?

Rick Papa, 137, Toronto, edged out a split verdict over lefty Felix "The Cat" Vanderpoole, 137½, Kitchener, Ontario, six. Felix was slicker, but out of shape, as the plodding Papa was persistent. Former pro boxer Ferdinand "The Bull" Chretien refereed.

Bobby Hackett, 138½, Barbados, split decisioned Johnny Bizzaro Jr., 139, Erie, Pa., though Johnny's strong finish seemed to pull it out. Ed Gaudet refereed.

Judges—Bernie Cormier, Frank Bullard and Jackie Silvers



Furlano looked finished in first round, but like "Rocky," he finished on his feet.

RINGSIDE REPORTS

FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THOMAS HEARNS IS THE "FIGHTER OF THE MONTH" for doing just what he said he would do—knocking out Roberto Duran in the second round to retain the World Junior Middleweight Championship. The smashing performance at Caesars Palace restored Hearns' superstar credentials and established the Detroiter as the leading threat to the Middleweight Title reign of Marvin Hagler. Duran announced his retirement and drops out of the ratings.

● Runner-up for "Fighter Of The Month" honors is **Edwin Rosario**. The WBC lightweight champion was just eight seconds away from being ex-champion when he landed the hook that dropped Howard Davis Jr. and meant the margin of victory in his title-retaining split decision in San Juan. Rosario next defends his title against Jose Luis Ramirez, the Mexican whom he defeated by a disputed decision to capture the vacant title last year.

● Honorable mentions go to welterweights **Pedro Vilella** and **Jun-Sok Hwang**. New Yorker Vilella delighted the Madison Square Garden crowd when he punched his way to a split decision over Marlon Starling to win the NABF 147-pound title. Hwang won a majority decison over Pipino Cuevas at the Olympic in L.A., knocking the Mexican ex-WBA champion out of an expected title shot against WBC champ Milton McCrory. Vilella may get the shot at McCrory instead.

LOCKRIDGE-MOON
World Junior Lighweight Title

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA—FOR 10 days prior to his title bout with WBA junior lightweight champion Rocky Lockridge at the Sullivan Arena—Alaska's first world championship contest—number one contender Tae-Jin Moon virtually hid in his hotel room. No sparring. Few public appearances.

But, as Lockridge proved, the boxing adage about not being able to hide in the ring remains as true as when it was first uttered.

With an arsenal of crisp left jabs, stinging overhand rights, and scythe-like left hooks, Lockridge, 127½, Maple Shade, New Jersey, dominated the scheduled 15-rounder without losing a frame before referee Ernesto Magana of Mexico stopped it at 0:31 of the 11th.

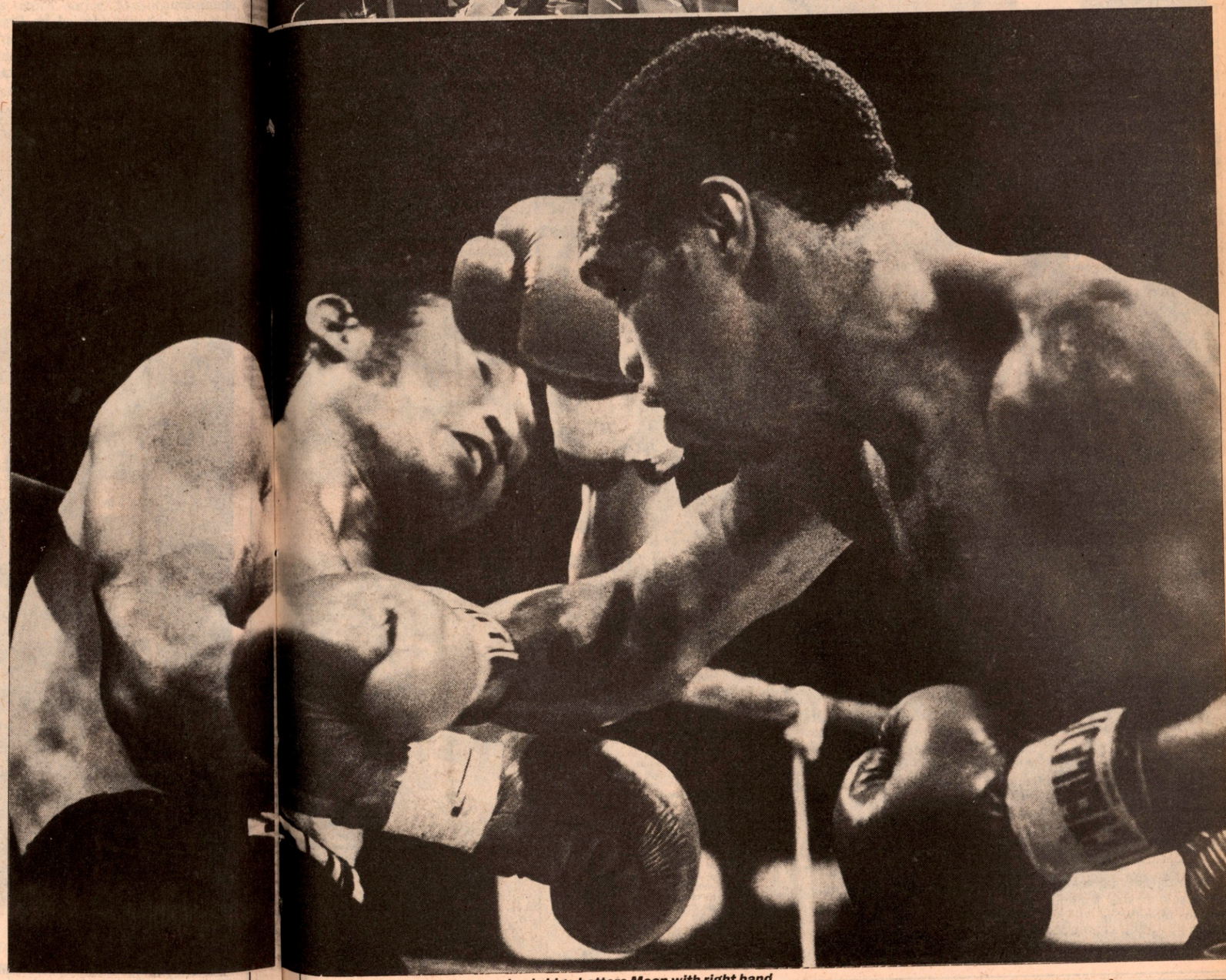
It was totally one-sided, with Lockridge always pummeling and pressuring Moon, 129, Korea—trapping him along the ropes or in a neutral corner in almost every session. But, despite the avalanche of blows that rained on Tae-Jin's head, he refused to go down. If Moon, 21-2-1, whose only previous fight outside Korea was a 10-round loss to Rodolfo Gonzlaez in Los Angeles in 1981, proved one thing, it was that he could stand up to a wrecking ball.

Lockridge, 34-3 with 28 knockouts, cut the bridge of champ, who had only fought three times in the previous two and a half years.

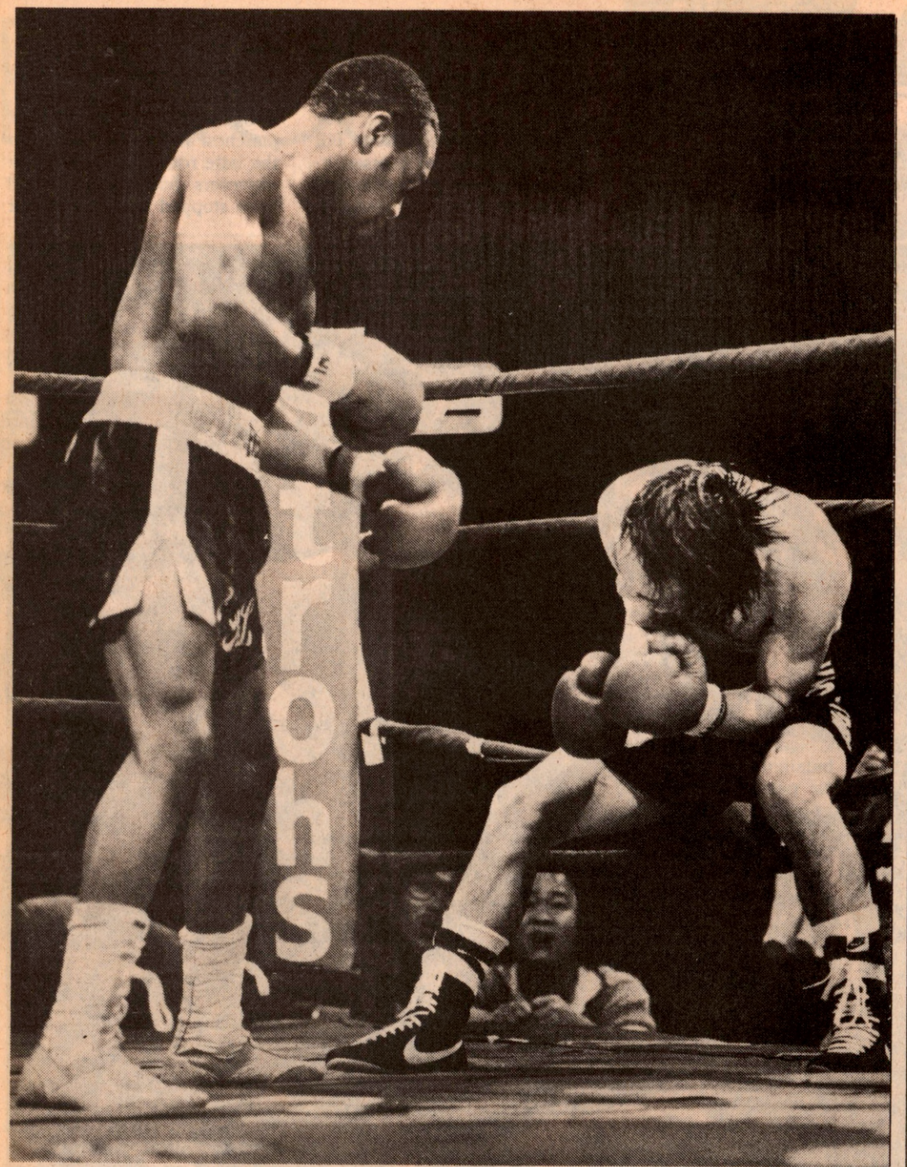
Moon's nose in the first round and drew blood from his left nostril in the second. Those, however, were the only visible signs of damage on the OPBF

When Magana halted things—for no particular reason other than the accumulation of punishment—he had the fight scored 7-0-3, Lockridge. Judge Humberto Figueroa (Panama) saw it 9-0-1. If anything, they were too generous. Judge Bill McConkey (Alaska), pressed into service when Venezuela's Jesus Celis failed to appear, had it 10-0, Lockridge.

In the eighth and 10th frames, Lockridge battered the 29-year-old Moon ceaselessly, firing over 100 unanswered punches at Tae-Jin's head in the latte round. Many ringside observers felt Magana could have stopped the fight at that



Lockridge batters Moon with right hand.



Moon looked ready to go but showed remarkable ability to take punches.

time.

"I hit him everywhere but under his feet," said Lockridge, who was paid $150,000 to Moon's $60,000. "I left out only the kitchen sink. I'm really surprised they didn't stop it a round earlier."

Lockridge's manager, Lou Duva, said he was beginning to fear for Moon's life. "It's about time," he said to Magana at the end.

The mediocre crowd of 2,500, which paid from $15 to $100, did not see things the same way. The booing was vicious when Magana made his belated move.

"What the hell do those people want?" asked Duva. "The guy had become a punching bag out there."

Kamel Bu Ali, 130½, Tunisia, TKO'd Angel Mendiola, also 130½, Phoeniz, Ariz., at 1:17 of the fourth-round in a scheduled 10. Bill McConkey, referee.

Davey Johnson, 127, Alice, Texas, TKO'd Baldo Castillo, 125, Phoenix, at 1:24 of the first round in a scheduled eight. Jerry Miller, referee.

Young Dempsey, 205, Renton, Wash., won a unanimous decision over Lou Lockwood, 190, Reno, Nev., six. Jerry Miller, referee.

Mark Cassel, 157, Anchorage, won a unanimous decision over Curtis Thrasher, 151, Anchorage, four. Bill McConkey, referee.

Lee Sentinella, 175, Anchorage, won a unanimous decision over Brett Hughes, 201, Anchorage, four. Jerry Miller, referee.

Main Event (Totowa, N.J.) and Parallel Productions (Anchorage).

Mizlou Sports Network.

(06-12-84)

LEWIS FREEDMAN

M. PAUL-A. HAYES
USBA Lightweight Title

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—PRACTICALLY all of the action in this scheduled 12-rounder for Jimmy Paul's USBA lightweight crown took place before the opening bell when challenger Alvin (Too Sweet) Hayes put on a show that would rival any extravaganza playing on the strip.

Hayes wore an orange and pink, tuxedo-style robe, a pink bow tie and a pink Lone Ranger mask. One member of his entourage carried a blaring, suitcase-size "ghetto blaster." The moment Alvin ducked between the ropes, he broke into a high-stepping dance routine that had the crowd doubled over with laughter. Unfortunately for Hayes, things were not quite to "sweet" once the fight started.

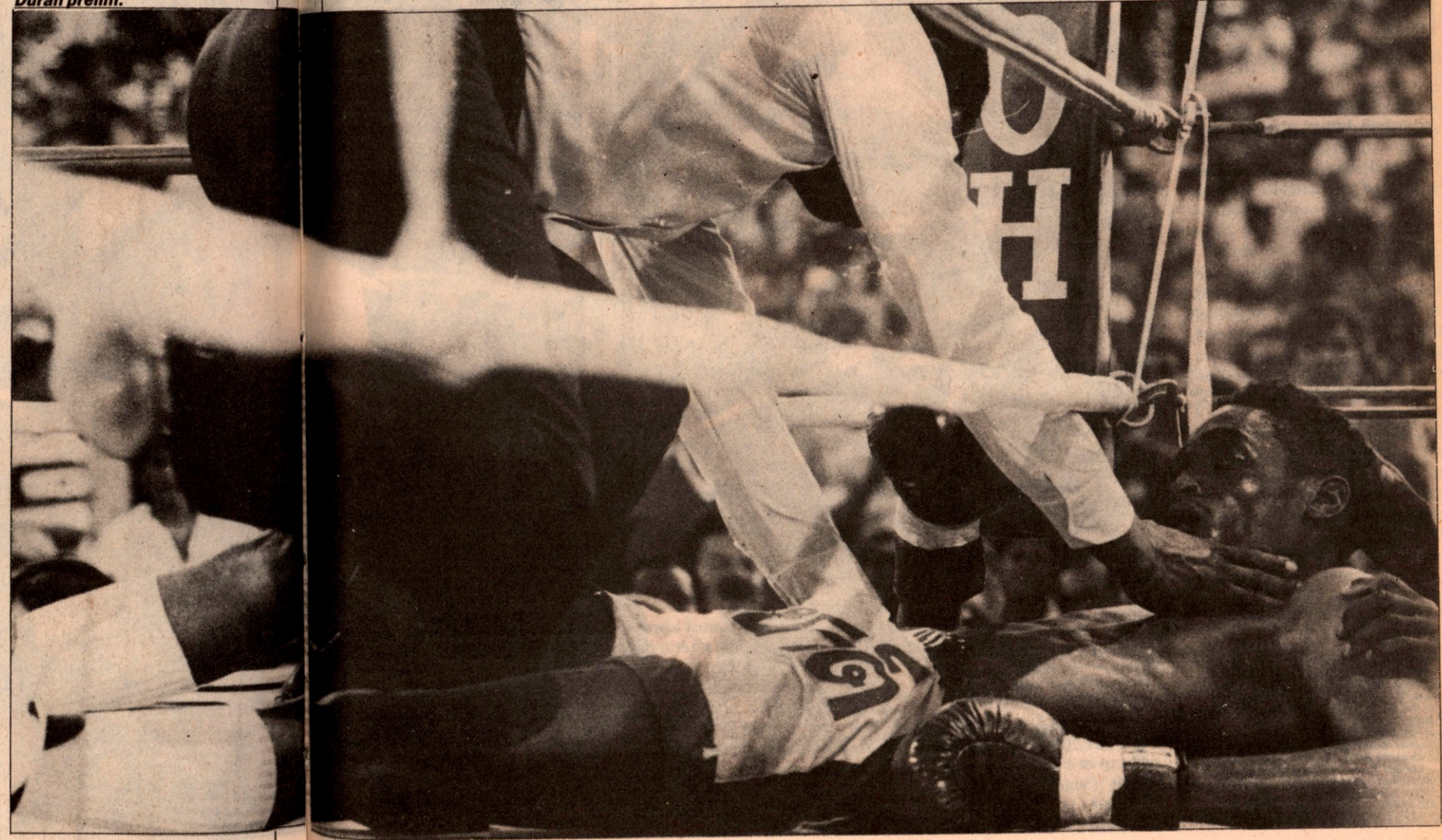
Right: Hayes made a conspicuous entrance in Hearns-Duran prelim.

Hayes, 133¾, ran from the opening bell, using his reach and speed to stay away from Paul, 135, The footrace continued for the first four rounds, with Hayes landing enough light jabs to stay a few points ahead on most scorecards. It was rather tame stuff compared to the pre-bout eurythmics, and many among the crowd took to opportunity to visit the bathroom.

In the fifth, Paul got close enough to land a couple of hard body shots and Hayes began to loose a little of his bounce.

Paul kept the pressure on in the sixth and finally tagged

Below: Hayes made an equally-conspicuous exit.



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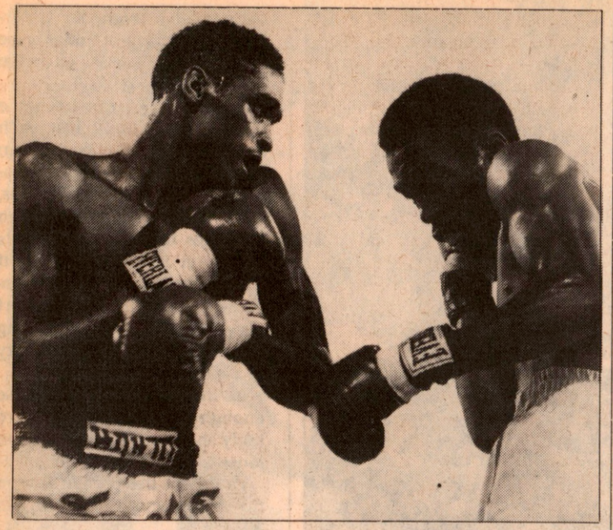


Hayes with a solid right to the chin, backing him into his corner. Instead of moving away or covering up, Hayes just stood there, waiting for the other foot—or in this case fist—to drop. And drop it did. Paul crashed home another booming right to the face and Alvin went down in a heap, both legs trapped underneath his prone body.

Referee Richard Steels counted Hayes out at 3:02 of the round, prompting one ringsider to quip, "Well, I guess we've seen the last of that act."

The victory raised Paul's record to 24-1, 20 kayoes, while Hayes lost for the first time in 23 starts. Both men hail from Detroit. The judges were Lou Tabat, Duane Ford, and Dave Moretti.

In a scheduled 10, undefeated heavyweight prospect Tony Tucker, 210, Grand Rapids, Mich., stopped Eddie (The Animal) Lopez, 217, Los Angeles, at 1:26 of the ninth. It had been an entertaining brawl all the way, with the rugged Lopez giving almost as good as he took until Tucker lowered the boom with a perfect left hook Lopez went down hard and referee Jay Nady ruled him out without even bothering to count.

Former WBA lightweight champion Art Frias, 137½, Los Angles, continued his comeback with a 10-round unanimous decision over Jose Torres, 138, San Diego. Although he was cut over both eyes, Frias won going away by scores of 100-88 (Duane Ford), 99-91 (Jerry Roth) and 98-92 (Dave Moretti). The referee was Davey Pearl.

Joey Olivo, 109, Los Angles, stopped Oscar Cristerna, 109½, Tijuana, Mexico, in the sixth round of a scheduled 10.

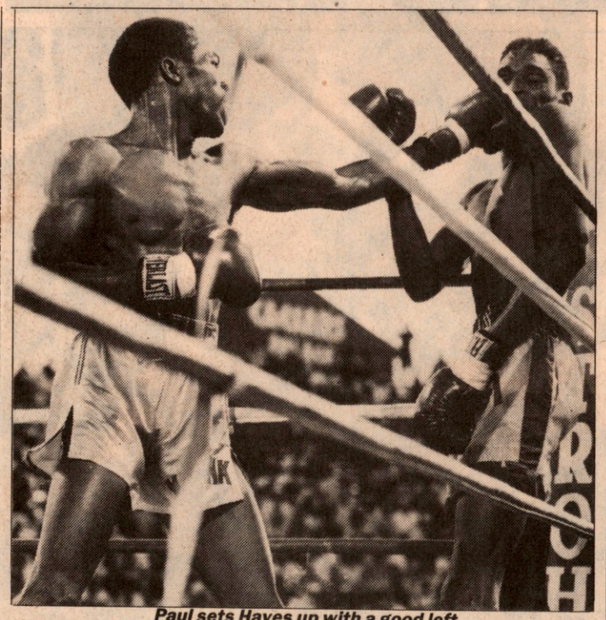
England's Errol Christy, 163¾, won a cut-eye TKO over Stan White, 160, Detroit, at 1:10 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Referee, Joey Curtis.

Augustine Caballero, 143¾, Panama City, kayoed Victor Abraham, 150, Los Angles, at 2:45 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10.

Lamart Baker, 128½, Las Vegas, won a unanimous decision over Alberto Ariosa, 125½, Las Vegas, six.

(06-15-86)

NIGEL COLLINS



Paul sets Hayes up with a good left.

DeLEON-ALI
World Cruiserweight Title

OAKLAND, CALIF.—THE cruiserweight division sorely needs glamour and credibility, but it got little more than small print over the wire services as Carlos (Sugar) DeLeon sleepwalked to a unanimous 12-round decision over local Bashiru Ali in defense of his World Boxing Council title.

The 25-year-old DeLeon blamed his performance on a lack of decent sparring in the weeks before the bout. Whatever the reasons—or excuses—World Light Heavyweight champion Michael Spinks is probably licking his chops at the prospect of moving up against DeLeon in quest of his second title Michael also would be gaining revenge for his brother, Leon, who was thrashed by Carlos about 18 months ago.

The 6'1" DeLeon was in control against Ali from start to finish, but he showed about the same amount of gameness as someone pushing a mop down an office hallway. The champ rarely threw more than one punch at a time (almost always a jab), and then only after a moment of deliberation. The local fight crowd had not expected the 28-year-old challenger to last the distance. Raised in Nigeria, Bash worked as a pro wrestler before coming to california and taking up boxing in 1978. He has enjoyed some notable success, but seemed to settle down into a middle level niche after Henry Hearns knocked him out in two rounds in October, 1982. Now living in Oakland with four wives, Ali is currently looking for a fifth spouse, and would one day like to become president of Nigeria.

Ali had predicted he would stop DeLeon in six rounds. To his credit, Bash was not afraid of Sugar, but he won just two or three rounds, and that's it.

DeLeon pushed his record to 35-3 with 24 knockouts. He received a paltry $50,000 for his labor, while Ali took down just $15,000. The fight was filmed for a possible showing on some cable network at a later date.

Jose Luis Ramirez, 135, Mexico City, won a unanimous decision over Martin Quiroz, also 135, San Jose, Calif., 10. Ramirez was a last minute substitute for Marcos Villasana, and had to fight for his life against the tough Quiroz.

Mardo Royval, 155, Vallego, Calif., won a unanimous decision over Ernie Rabotte, 154, Long Beach, 10. Rabotte put up a gutsy fight, punched Royval on every square inch of his head, but took just as much and then some.

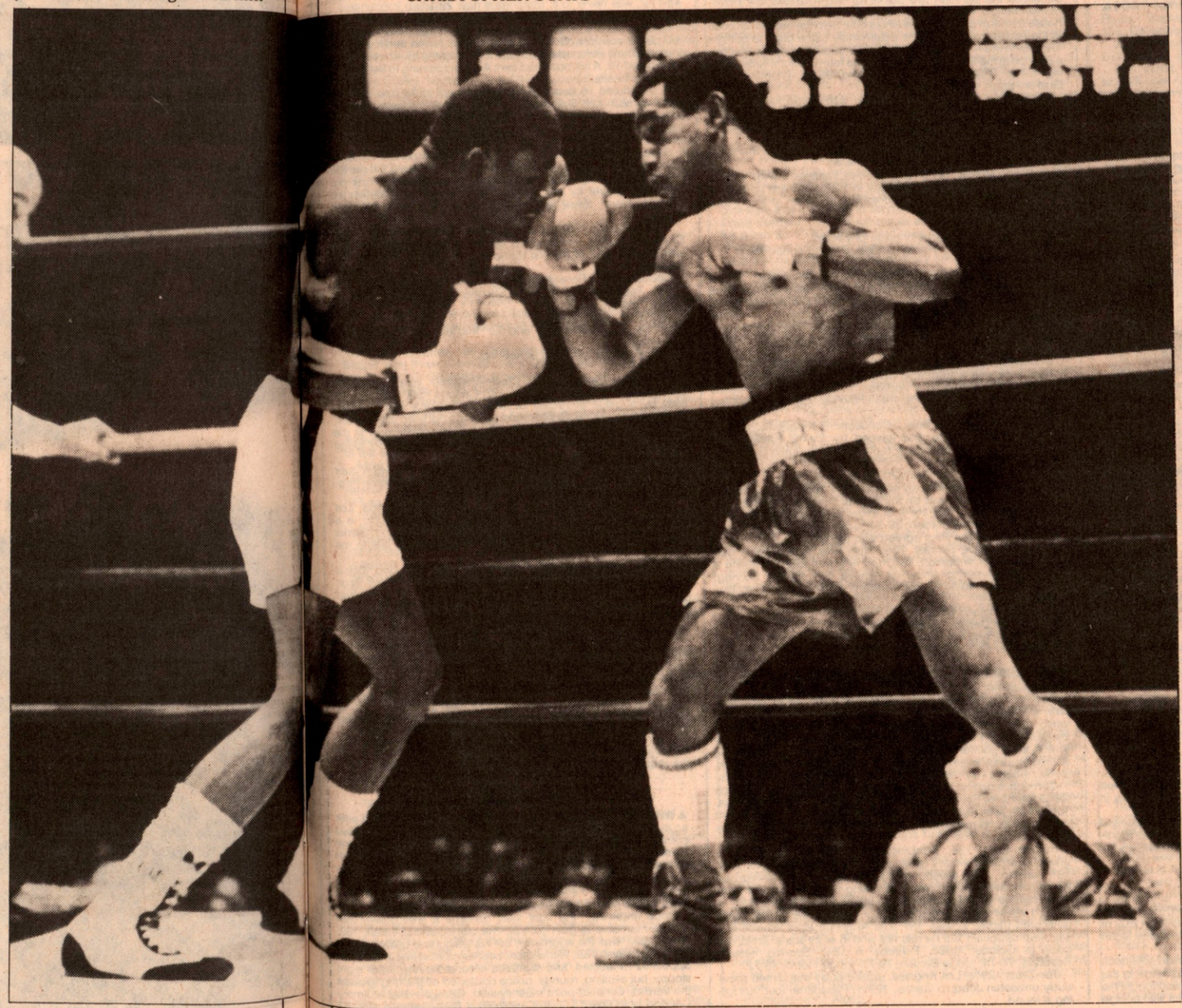
Manny Hernandez, 135, Oakland, and J.T. Walker, also 135, San Francisco, drew, 10.

Mario Lesperance, 124, Vallejo, made his pro debut by halting Arnold Fuentes, also 124, Los Angeles, in the fourth and final round. Lesperance was knocked down twice in the first frame.

Site—Oakland Coliseum.
Promoter—Gordon Ashby.
Gross—$72,704.

(06-02-84)

CHRISTOPHER COATS



VILELLA-STARLING
NABF Welterweight Title

NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. PEDRO Vilella, 147, New York, won the NABF welterweight title with a majority decision over defending champion Marlon Starling, 146¾, Hartford, Conn., 12. Starling's USBA crown was not at stake.

It was one of the year's biggest upsets, and the best fight of Vilella's 19-bout career. A letharic performer in about a dozen bouts in Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum (a small auditorium directly below the Garden's main arena), Pedro came alive against the Magic Man—covering up when Marlon got his attack going (which was seldom), finding Starling's face with smacking punches brom both hands, and exhibiting enough slick body movement to capture the scorecards of judges Bernie Friedkin (116-112) and Sal Maltempo (118-111). The other judge, John Stewart, scored the fight a draw (114-114).

Starling screamed he had been robbed. There is no doubt the fight was close, despite Maltempo's seven-point edge to Vilella. Maltempo, quite ironically, is from Connecticut, where he had served as an official in several of Starling's previous contests. It was not a classic "hometown" verdict.

Marlon built an early lead, but Pedro, spurred on by his trainer, former five-time world champ Emile Griffith, won most of the middle rounds. He found that Starling could be hit, and that knowledge, coupled with Griffith's excellent coaching, gave him the confidence he needed to win.

Vilella shocked favored Starling.

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Vilella never hurt Starling, but he piled up the points. At the end, it was Vilella who bled from the lower lip and who was marked under the eye. It did not matter. He had fought his heart out, and squeaked home a winner over a top name performer. Starling, it is noted, often loses interest after his opponent lasts past the fifth round You can't be a world champ like that, or remain champ of a continent—like North America—for long. Not with southpaws like Pedro Vilella.

Vilella is now 18-0-1 with five knockouts. The draw came against Tom Moody. Starling is 32-3 with 20 kayoes. Joe Cortez, referee.

Carlos Hernandez, 210, Union City, New Jersey, won a unanimous decision over Robert L. Evans, 211, Jersey City, eight. Scoring: Bernie Friedkin, 8-0; Harold Lederman and Eva Shain, both 6-2. Arthur Mercante, referee. Hernandez is now 13-0. Evans is 6-8-3.

A scheduled six between Troy Wortham, 150, Hartford, and Rodney Bowen 153, New York, was cancelled due to lack of time. This love show was a "prelim" to the Hearns-Duran closed circuit telecast.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.
Ring Announcer—Carl Martin.

(06-15-84)

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RINGS AROUND THE WORLD

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NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

ALABAMA

▲BIRMINGHAM—2001 VIP Lounge—After outboxing Hardy Jones, 154, and building a lead over the first nine rounds, Mike (Tuscaloosa Kid) Hutchinson elected to slug it out in the 10th, scoring a late knockdown to cap a 10-round unanimous decision victory. Scores: 99-92, 99-88, and a way out of line 99-82.

Hutchinson, 153, an Angelo Dundee product, took the bout with an injured right hand, and relied on his left in raising his record to 17-0. Jones, an aggressive, game clubfighter, fell to a reported 8-6.

Bill (Fireball) Bradley, Middleton, Ohio, rebounded from his recent loss to Kevin Howard with a sloppy six-round decision over ageless journeyman King Arthur Body, middleweights. Bradley improved his record to 21-6, but he has looked much better than he did in this clench-filled match. Body is now 14-5.

Four rounders: Jeff Hanna, Indianapolis, pitched a shutout against Ed Davis, Oklahoma, lights. Kevin Brazier, Indianapolis, spoiled the debut of Birmingham's Bobby Coleman to raise his record to 2-0, middles. Davis McCluskey successfully debuted with a third round TKO over sacrifice George Reedy, Indianapolis, middles.

Referees—Henry Brown, Billy Martin.

Promoters—Pro-More Promotions (Neil Monroe, Mitch Danska).

Matchmaker—Dr. George Ginter.

Attendance—600 (SRO).

Gross—$6000.

(05-22-84)

THOMAS DEAS, JR.

CALIFORNIA

▲BAKERSFIELD—Civic Auditorium—Erick Madrid, 133¾, Sylmar, TKO'd Beto Perez, 133, Mexico City, at the end of the fifth round in a scheduled 15 billed for the vacant WAA lightweight title. Ringside physician Dr. Michael Tivnon retired Perez because of a suspected broken collarbone. Vince Delgado, referee.

Dennis Mulholland, 147, Bakersfield, kayoed Pablo Ibarra, 145, Houston, referee Chuck Hassett counting out Ibarra at 1:17 of the third of a scheduled 10. Ibarra was also down in the first. Chuck Hassett, referee.

Ray Galvan, 153, Bakersfield, knocked out David Franklin, 153, Houston, in the third of a scheduled 10. Dick Young, referee.

Comebacking Phillip Montellano, 153½, Bakersfield, flattened Ronnie Adams, 153, San Diego, with a borderline body blow in 0:37 of the first in a scheduled six. Hassett, referee.

Gustavo Lopez, 128, Los Angeles, unanimously outpointed Alex Galvan, 126, Bakersfield, six. Galvan was down in the fourth and the fifth. Scoring: referee Young, 58-55; judge Hassett, 58-54; judge Delgado, 58-55.

Aaron Koslow, timekeeper

Mike Tasos, ring announcer

(06-01-84)

▲INGLEWOOD—Forum—Henry Hearns, 186½, Lancaster, kayoed constant loser Rubin Williams, 184¾, San Jose, in 2:02 of the first in a scheduled 10. A right hand dumped Williams. John Thomas, referee.

Manual Canela, 124½, Inglewood, won a 10-round split decision over Ernie Johnson, 125½, San Diego, to advance to the finals of the Forum featherweight tournament. Johnson fought his heart out and the fans rewarded an outstanding fight with a large shower of coins at the end. Johnson never stopped coming at Canela, but a second round right hand knockdown and a good final round which gave Canela a two-point victory on *The Ring* scorecard. Both fighters lost two points for low blows. Scoring: referee Robert Byrd, 94-92, Johnson; judge Thomas, 96-91, Canela; judge Tony Guitron, a way out of line 97-89, Canela.

Tim Thomas, 186½, Los Angeles, won a 10-round majority decision over Chris Schwenke, 184½, Salt Lake City, in a Forum cruiserweight tournament elimination bout. An overreactive California commission directive made a loser of Schwenke when referee Byrd followed his superior's orders and without warning penalized the Samoan two points for two harmless low blows. Schwenke did well early when he caught Thomas with roundhouse overarm punches. His all out effort left him near exhaustion in the middle rounds, but he determindly came back to outfight Thomas in the final three. However, the deducted points cost him a chance at the $40,000 awarded to the tournament winner. Scoring: judge Thomas, 96-96; judge Byrd, 95-94, Thomas; judge Guitron, again off at 96-92, Thomas.

Unbeaten Richard Aguirre, 147¼, San Diego, unanimously outpointed Ceclio Mendoza, 145½, Inglewood, four, not losing a round. Mendoza was penalized three points for low blows. Byrd, referee.

Lee Cargle, 114½, unanimously outscored Rogelio Martinez, 112¾, Los Angeles, four. Thomas, referee.

Juveliano Molina, 121¾, Los Angeles, flattened Carlos Valdez, 124¾, Los Angeles, with a left hook in 1:35 of the first round in a scheduled four. A right had floored Valdez earlier in the round. Guitron, referee.

Cliff Gosz, timekeeper

Dr. Bernhardt Schwartz, ringside physician

Jimmy Lennon and Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcers

(06-11-84)

▲RESEDA—The Country Club—Petronilo Velasquez, 138½, San Fernando, won a split decision over very game Chris (Bulldog) Buell, 138, Canoga Park, six. Buell, caught repeatedly by uppercuts as he charged in, won only two rounds, but never stopped trying. Scoring: referee Pat Connolly, 58-57, Velasquez; judge Rudy Jordan, 59-57, Velasquez; judge Lou Filippo. 58-56, Buell.

Unbeaten Tranquilino Rodriguez, 118, North Hollywood, made it three wins with a stoppage victory over Pablo Quintero, 120, Los Angeles. Rodriguez's non-stop punching forced referee Filippo's timely intervention at 1:45 of the second in a scheduled five.

A disastrous debut for Bobby Cendejas, 159, Redondo Beach, who was floored twice and kayoed by Danny Lopez, 158, Orange, in just 1:53 of the first round in a scheduled five-round opener. Jordan, referee.

John Smith, 175, San Bernardino, won his fourth in five tries (one draw) as he unanimously outpointed Lloyd Spikes, 170; Los Angeles, four. Spikes was on the floor at the finish, but the third man correctly ruled that the K.O. blow came just after the final bell. Scoring: referee Jordan, 39-38; judge Filippo, 40-36; judge Connolly, 40-37. *The Ring* agreed with Jordan.

Six-foot-six Dave Servais, 205, Pasadena, unanimously outpointed Charles Anderson, 190, Los Angeles, four, not losing a round. The debuting Anderson was a lazy fighter. Scoring: referee Filippo, 40-37; judge Jordan, 40-37; judge Connolly, 40-38.

Eddie Rodriguez, timekeeper

Dr. Michael DeLuca, ringside physician

Bill Caplan, ring announcer

(06-13-84)

▲LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Veteran contender Ruben Castillo, 128½, Santa Maria, was too strong and experienced for 19-year-old Oscar (Negro) Bejines, 127½, Guadalajara, who was unanimously outpointed over 10. Bejines, 26-2-2, was slightly ahead after five rounds, but was backed up and hurt by Castillo, 62-4-2, in the sixth and seventh. Bejones ran to survive in the eighth and ninth. The younger fighter then made the scores close by winning the 10th. Scoring: referee Marty Denkin, 96-94; judge Larry Rozadilla, 96-95; judge Eddie Fierro, 98-93.

Comebacking Herman Montes, 148¾, Montebello, was much too powerful for Raymundo (Battling) Torres, Jr., 148¼, Reynosa. Torres took two counts before referee Rozadilla stopped the fight with one second remaining in the first of a scheduled 10. Montes is now 30-3-4.

Ramon Rico, 124, Apatzingan, improved on a previous unanimous points victory by stopping game Alfredo Hernandez, 121, Torreon, in the seventh of a scheduled 10. Hernandez had lost nearly every round and was taking punches without reply when referee Denkin stopped the fight at 1:26 of the round.

Hard working Delio Palacios, 129½, Benavides, Texas, easily outscored James Sowell, 131, Los Angeles, eight. Sowell is a stand-up opponent but he has not won in eight starts stretching back to October, 1983. Palacios is 18-2. Scoring: referee Rozadilla, 78-74; judge Denkin, 79-73; judge Fierro, 79-72.

Joe Cruz, 129½, Los Angeles, unanimously outpointed previously unbeaten Joaquin Garcia, 129½, Pasadena, four, not losing a round.

Dr. Bernhardt Schwartz, ringside physician

Ernie Snow, timekeeper

Jimmy Lennon, ring announcer

(06-14-84)

▲LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Ex-WBC junior lightweight champion Rolando Navarette, 133, Honolulu, rated number one by the WBC and number two by the WBA, was knocked out by promising 19-year-old Mario (Azabache) Martinez, 133, Guadalajara, with one second remaining in the fifth of a scheduled 10. Navarette, decked in the third, was out on his feet when referee Marty Denkin stopped the fight. Navarette, now 45-11-2, was never in it. Martinez is now 29-1-1.

Once-beaten Rene Arredondo, 141, Apatzingan, bided his time in the first three rounds before opening up to stop Jose Angulo, 141, Buenaventura, Colombia, referee Dr. James Jen-Kin rescuing an almost defenseless Angulo in 2:05 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. A left hook had sent Angulo spinning to the canvas earlier in the round.

A scheduled 10 between Culo Alvarado, 126½, Mexico City, and Roy Muniz, 125, Denver, was exciting while it lasted, referee Vince Delgado intervening at 1:40 of the third, shortly after Muniz had been floored. The game but amateurish Muniz nearly left hooked Alvarado to defeat in the second.

Seven-foot-one Thomas Payne, 282, Santa Monica, made his pro debut by stopping Victor Soriano, 252, Whittier, 0:34 into the fourth and final round. Soriano made is easy for the former pro basketball player by not fighting back. The poorly conditioned Soriano never threw a single worthwhile punch. Delgado, referee.

Ricardo Lopez, 137½, Los Angeles, and Glenn McGee, 137¾, Compton, traded knockdowns before Lopez flattened McGee with a left in 2:07 of the first round in a scheduled four. Jen-Kin, referee.

Debuting Elelio Perez, 129, Anaheim, stopped Joaquin Garcia, 129¾, Pasadena at 2:01 of the second in their scheduled four. Denkin, referee.

Cliff Gosz, timekeeper.

Dr. Bernhardt Schwartz and Dr. Michael DeLuca, ringside physicians.

Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcer.

(06-23-84)

▲RESEDA—The Country Club—Petronilo Velasquez, 137, San Fernando, beat Chris Buell, 137, Canoga Park, who was retired by ringside physician Dr. Michael DeLuca with a nearly closed left eye at the end of round six in a scheduled eight. Buell, slightly behind on all three scorecards, protested strongly at the stoppage. Scoring through six: referee Lou Moret, 57-56; judge Rudy Jordan, 58-56; judge Lou Filippo, 58-55.

Dave Servais, 204, Pasadena, won a majority decision over Charles Anderson, 190, Los Angeles, five. Scoring: referee Filippo, 49-48; judge Moret, 49-47; judge Jordan, 49-49.

Danny Lopez, 158, Orange, stopped Greg Starks, 158, Los Angeles, referee Moret intervening at 2:00 of the fourth in a scheduled six. Starks had been down earlier in the round. Starks was overwhelmed once Lopez decided to mix it up late in the third.

Unbeaten Tranquilino Rodriguez 118, North Hollywood, took a split points win over Piro Soberanes, 120, Los Angeles, four. Rodriguez was almost kayoed in the first round, but outworked the more experienced Soberanes the rest of the way. Scoring: referee Filippo, 39-37, Soberanes; judge Moret, 40-37, Rodriguez; judge Jordan, 39-37, Rodriguez.

Ernie Londeros, 137, Los Angeles, hit with impressive power to kayo Bobby Hunter, 140, Los Angeles, referee Filippo counting out Bobby in 1:25 of the second of a scheduled four. A right hook to the body flattened Hunter.

Unbeaten Carlos Manzano, 118, Los Angeles, knocked out newcomer Javier Macias, 116, Pacoima, with a right uppercut in 2:30 of the third round in a scheduled four. Macias had won the first two rounds. Filippo, referee.

Alex Garcia, timekeeper

Bill Caplan, ring announcer

(06-27-84)

DELAWARE

▲WILMINGTON—Radisson Hotel—Pro Boxing returned after an absence of seven years. Boy, did it return! The newly-created commission (there was none when boxing was last held here) named Joe Tiberi and (Pinky Six-Guns) Gordon to fight for the Delaware middleweight crown. Fans of both fighters nearly packed the house, with rabid factionalism igniting a free-for-all before the start of the main event. Tiberi himself briefly took part! Extra police had to be called to restore order.

Once underway, the fight itself became a wild brawl, with neither man able to gain control. The comebacking Tiberi, 160, New Castle, was the aggressor, but his timing and balance were off. Gordon, also 160, Wilmington, countered effectively, but often appeared exhausted, and stumbled around the ring. After eight sloppy, but exciting, rounds, police cordoned off the ring to await the verdict. On a 20-point must system, George Hill and Jimmy Condon both voted 156-156, while Paul Burns tabbed 155-153

Tiberi. The verdict was a draw, with Gordon "retaining" the title, which he had "won" on a coin flip! The crowd accepted the outcome with no further disturbances. Pat McGinnis refereed.

Lou Owens, 153½, New Castle, won a unanimous decision over Sidney Gantz, 153, Lancaster, PA, in a six-round war! Though the verdict was fair, Gantz collapsed to the canvas in disbelief and wouldn't budge. He had to be lifted like a rag doll by handler "Emperor" Harris. George Hill refereed.

Georgie Navarro, 126½, Vineland, floored Doug Pettiford, 126, Wilm., in the third, but was down himself in the fourth, having to pull out a stretch drive in the sixth and final round to gain a unanimous decision. Ref, Hill.

After turning down legitimate foe David Capo, Francis Childs, 118, Chester, faced Edward Davis, 119½, Phila., an inept kid who's never made it past two rounds. Rib-roasters folded Davis twice for a TKO at 1:55 of the first, scheduled six. Ref, Jimmy Condon.

Mike Croley, 189½, Verona, OH., kayoed Garland Hall, 182½, Phila., at 2:59 of the first of six. Ref, Condon.

Ali Bey, 163, Wilm., TKO'd Eric Vargas, 162, Camden, dropping him with a right haymaker, at 2:02 of the first, scheduled four. Ref, McGinnis.

Ricardo Williams, 192, Wilm., took a unanimous decision over Chris Reeder, 190½, Linwood, Pa., four. Chris was down in the first, but came on as Williams tired. Ref, Hill.

Promoter—Diamond East Gym (Ted Pridgen).
Matchmaker—Ken Hissner.
Attendance—950. Gross—$12,000 (est.).
Timekeeper—Tony Stenza.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
(05-08-84)

J. R. JOWETT

FLORIDA

▲**MIAMI—Jai-Alai Fronton**—Cardenio Ulloa, 118, Chile, knocked out Jose de la Cruz Lopez, also 118, Panama, in 1:20 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10 refereed by Bernie Soto. Ulloa is now 28-0-1.

Juvenal Ordenes, 128, Chile, stopped Rocky Garrett, also 128, Miami, with three knockdowns in 2:48 of the first round in their scheduled 10. Ordenes is now 30-1.

Keith Adams, 158½, Ft. Lauderdale, and Pepo Quinones, 162, Puerto Rico, drew, eight. Eddie Eckhart, referee. Adams is now 11-0-1 with eight knockouts. Quinones is 13-4-1 with 11 kayoes.

Juan Cruces, 142½, Chile, won a majority decision over Junior Bethel, 140, Miami, eight. Bernie Soto, referee. Cruces was down in the second.

Mike Cruz, 126, Chile, won a unanimous decision over Gavilan Gonzalez, 133, Puerto Rico, in the six-round opener. Billy Yohans, referee.

Tuto Enterprises.
Promoter—Felix Zabala.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—2,200.
(04-03-84)

▲**MIAMI BEACH—Convention Center**—Juan Rondon, 143, Venezuela, won a majority decision over Jose Angulo, 144, Colombia, 10. Eddie Eckhart, referee.

Victor Baluilonia, 136, Colombia, kayoed Bobby Graddy, 143, Savannah, Georgia, in 1:59 of the third with a left hook. Bernie Soto refereed the scheduled 10.

Osvaldo Acevedo, 117, Colombia, won a unanimous decision over Steve Whetstone, 116½, Homestead, Fla., eight. Bill Connors, referee.

Luis Quintana, 190, Colombia, kayoed Ricky Johnson, also 190, Savannah, Georgia, in 1:16 of the first round in their scheduled eight. Bill Connors, ref.

Jose Quinonez, 164½, Colombia, knocked out Eddie Flanning, 155, Savannah, in 1:27 of the first round in a scheduled six. Bernie Soto, referee.

Raul Hernandez, 150, Miami, TKO'd Felix Bohrquez, 146½, Nicaragua, at 2:20 of the fifth round in their scheduled six. Eddie Eckhart, referee.

Promoter—Francisco Alba.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—300.
(05-04-84)

▲**MIAMI—Jai-Alai Fronton**—Johnny de la Rosa, 128½, Miami, knocked out Isidro Medina, 125, Mexico, with a right to the chin in the first session of a scheduled 10. Eddie Eckhart, referee. De la Rosa is now 23-1.

Alcides Morales, 118, Cuba, kayoed Ricardo Frometa, San Diego, in 2:31 of the first round in their scheduled 10. Bill Connors, referee.

Rey Estades, 136, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Alex Wilcox, 130, Jacksonville, at 1:22 of the third. Bernie Soto, referee.

Tony Ortiz, 139, Cuba, kayoed Ron Rollins, also 139, Miami, with a left jab in 1:37 of the first round in a scheduled four. Bernie Soto, referee.

Freddie Delgado, 169, Puerto Rico, stopped Dwayne Reed, 165, Miami, at 2:35 of the first round in their scheduled four. Billy Yohan, referee.

Pedro Roman, 139, Miami, won a split duke over Miguel Serrano, 134, Cuba, in the opening four. Billy Yohan, ref.

Tuto Enterpsies, Inc.
Promoter—Felix Zabala.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—750.
(05-15-84)

LOUIS ZIPKIN

▲**TAMPA—Egypt Temple Shrine**—This Alessi card read like a vaudeville show. We were treated to a bit of melodrama, a couple of comedy acts, a tragedy, a dance act, and, finally, a fight.

The card began with the dramatic entrance of the caped and capped John (The Matador) Munduga, 147½, Kampala, Uganda. Munduga, who proceeded to conquer his opponent Robert Wilcox, 144, Alachua, Fl., in two short rounds, showed promise of much more to come in a bout that was over much too quickly to showcase his talents. This was The Matador's first American performance and, indeed, his style brought to mind the movements that a skilled matador uses to first taunt and then conquer the bull. Munduga floored Wilcox three times in 2:14 of the second to earn a TKO. Munduga is now 14-0 with 12 kayoes. Wilcox drops to 6-3.

One of the evening's comedy acts was the confrontation between Robert Pew, 161, Tampa, and Jean-Pierre Dawe, 161, Hollywood, Fl. Pew, who seemed at least temporarily to have conquered his weight problem, seemed to have little difficulty in scoring a third round TKO over Dawe, a French-Canadian with a unique style that appeared to be much less than effective. At times, Dawe seemed to fly though the air as he put his whole body into his punches. Unfortunately for Dawe, his half fling-half leap punches seem to lose power the further he travels. Another of Dawe's traits is to hit himself in the head every once in a while—as if Pew wasn't getting in enough punches on his own. After being put down twice in the second, Dawe failed to answer the third round bell, giving Pew a nice round 10-0 while bringing himself down to 8-6.

Jerry Gainer made his pro debut against Curtis Summitt. Sunmmitt, 145½, Joliet, Ill., has the ability to telegraph a rainbow of thoughts and emotions by merely twitching a facial muscle or lifting an eyebrow. He also seems to be able to telegraph a punch with almost as much effectiveness. His fluid face was in constant motion as he appeared to clown his way though the bout. Gainer, 147, Tampa, who seemed to have a minor attitude problem upon entering the ring, came away a little humbler after a fourth round TKO that brought Summitt's record to 3-0 and gave Gainer a bad pro start of 0-1.

On a more serious note, the Harvey Hester, 145, Orlando, Fl.,-Richard Laster, 137, Jacksonville, Fl., bout ended in a TKO 1:04 into the fourth round when the heavier Hester cornered Laster and seemed to have him helpless against the ropes. Hester is now 7-0, Laster falls to 6-3.

The Frankie Randall, 136½, Morristown, Tenn.-Jerome Artis, 137, Philadelphia, Pa., bout could almost be called sad. Artis, who took the bout on short notice, was floored twice by the younger Randall before the bout was called by the ref 2:57 into the second. Artis, a veteran performer who has been in there with some of the best fighters that his division has had to offer—including former world champions Alexis Arguello and Cornelius Boza-Edwards—put up a fight but he seemed to be lacking the fire that had fueled him in his earlier fights. After the bout, Artis intimated to a ringside observer that this was his last fight. If so, we applaud his decision and wish him well in life outside of the squared ring. Randall's record is now 14-0 with 12 kayoes. Artis exits with a record of 26-16-3.

In the only bout, other than the main event, to go the distance, Roberto Medina, 133½, St. Petersburg, Fl., won a unanimous decision over Oscar Castor, 138, St. Louis, Mo., four. These two fighters definitely came to fight and gave the fans a good show of boxing skills.

The main event was between Richard Savage, 126½, West Monroe, La., and Pedro Montero, 129, New York. For the most part, the bout was uneventful but Montero, whose nickname in English is Happiness, was definitely not happy about the outcome. Montero who took the bout with only two days notice, was dominated by Savage during most of the fight. Montero seemed to gather himself together in the ninth but it was a case of too little and too late. Savage, ranked 10th by *The Ring*, won by unanimous decision and remains unbeaten at 21-0. Montero's record falls to 12-5-1.

The fight of the evening was the confrontation between "Cowboy" Don Shiver, 154½, Tampa, and David Plouden, 154½, Florence, SC. "Cowboy," a showman who always gives his audiences what they come to see, plowed into Plouden from the first bell. In the fourth, it appeared that "Cowboy" might be losing steam and Plouden appeared to pick up on this. Plouden answered the fifth round bell with renewed determination but "Cowboy" changed his attitude for him with a flurry of punches that staggered the man from Carolina. Plouden retired after that brutal fifth round, bringing "Cowboy's" record to 12-0 with six kayoes. Plouden fell to 10-9.

Promoter—Phil Alessi
Matchmaker—Brad Jacobs
Ring Announcer—M. Mark Beiro
Referees—Max Parker, Jr., Brian Garry, Mike Boggs, Rick Martin.
USA Cable.
Attendance—1,200
(05-03-84)

JUSTIN LAWRENCE
SYLVIA LUFRIU

INDIANA

▲**FORT WAYNE, INDIANA—THE NEW COWBOY**—Colorful, Bruce "The Mouse" Strauss, 152, Neola, Iowa, KO'd Billy Doyle, 158, Davenport, Iowa, at 2:00 of round six.

Jeff Bumpus, 139, Elkhart, Indiana, TKO'd Gary Brown, 139, Indianapolis, in the second round. Time 2:10.

Jeff Hanna, 122½, Terre Haute, had a third round TKO victory at 0:25 over Al Ramirez, 130, Denver, Colorado.

Hometown lad, John Sheppard knocked out John Davis, 149, Des Moines, Iowa, at 1:45 of the opening stanza. Sheppard weighed 150.

Harold Brazier, 145, South Bend, won a unanimous nod over Tony Taylor, 146, Muncie, in a scheduled 6 rounder.

Don Thacker, 131, Kendallville, Indiana, and Ted Spencer, 139, Osceola, Arkansas, fought to a four round draw.

"Vampire" Johnson and Billy Bradley fought a three round exhibition.
Attendance: 325 (est.)
Gross: $2,700 (est.)
Promoter: Fred Berns
Matchmaker: Pete Susens
(05-16-84)

▲**MERRILLVILLE—Holiday Star Theatre**—Don (Golden Boy) LaLonde, 168, Winnipeg, Manitoba, TKO'd local hero Carlos (The Force) Tite, 168½, Hammond, at 2:58 of round two. Tite was floored twice in the second before referee Mike DeFabis declared a halt. Tite was badly cut over the eyes.

Darryl Anthony, 143½, St. Louis, won a unanimous decision over Henry (Good Times) Mobley, 140, Chicago, eight. Scoring: Gary L. Merritt, 77-75; Walter Schramm, 79-77; Mike DeFabis, 78-74.

Jeff Bumpus, 135½, Elkhart, outscored Randy Reedy, 135, Terre Haute, four.

Ken Snider, 147½, Decker, Indiana, TKO'd George Reedy, 149¾, Terre Haute, at 2:33 of the first. Snider, a 38-year-old state legislator, is now 6-0 with five kayoes.

Roy Saffold, 174½, St. Louis, outpointed Tim Anderson, 177¼, Lansing, Illinois, six.

Chris Calvin, 138, Nashville, Tenn., Antoine Lark, 140, Gary, Indiana, at 2:00 of round three.

Andrew Stokes, 219, Anderson, Indiana, TKO'd Lynn Pearl, 210, Chicago, at 1:15 of the fourth.

Jackie (Kid) Callahan, 155½, Hammond, TKO'd Billy Doyle, 152, Davenport, Iowa, at 1:05 of the second.

Top Rank, Inc.
Promoter—Fred Berns.
Matchmakers—Bruce Trampler (Top Rank), Peter Susens (Berns).
Attendance—1,300 (estimated). Gross—$16,000.
ESPN Cable TV.
(06-28-84)

GARY L. MERRITT

MICHIGAN

▲**DETROIT—Riverview Ballroom, Cobo Hall**—Alvin (Too Sweet) Hayes, 135½, Detroit, knocked out Jesus Lazalo, 134½, Mexico, at 2:49 of the opening round. Hayes is now 22-0.

NABF junior middleweight champion David (Machine Gun) Braxton, 154, TKO'd Miguel Sepulveda, 156, Chicago, who was unable to answer the bell for round six. Braxton is now 27-1. Sepulveda is now 13-5.

Tyrone (Butterfly) Trice, 143, Milwaukee, now fighting for Kronk, TKO'd Teddy (Hook'em) Hatfield, 141¾, Nashville, Tennessee, at 2:25 of the second round. Trice is now 11-0 with nine kayoes. Hatfield is now 18-7-1.

Jeff (Honeyboy) Whaley, 115, Detroit, stopped Ruben Salinas, 118¼, Mexico, at 1:40 of the fourth round. Whaley is now 9-3. Salinas is now 8-2.

Bernard (The Bull) Benton, 190, Detroit, swept an eight round decision over Larry Roberson, 197, Joliet, Illinois. Benton took 80-72 scores on all three cards.

In the first of three upsets William Clayton, 153, Chicago, Illinois (he also fights as Krystal Clayton), used a left-right combination to knock out previously undefeated Donald Hamilton, 155, Detroit, in only 42 seconds. Hamilton is now 4-1.

Tim Bullock, 185, Detroit, managed to pull out a six round decision over Andy Straughn, 182½, London, England, for his third pro victory. Bullock is now 3-1-1. Straught, now 9-2-1, got in a little

UNITED STATES RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Larry Holmes (Pennsylvania)
2. Tim Witherspoon (Pennsylvania)
3. Pinklon Thomas (Pennsylvania)
4. Greg Page (Kentucky)
5. Mike Weaver (California)
6. Michael Dokes (Ohio)
7. John Tate (Tennessee)
8. David Bey (Pennsylvania)
9. "Bonecrusher" Smith (N. Carolina)
10. James Broad (New Jersey)
11. Randall (Tex) Cobb (Texas)
12. Tony Tubbs (Ohio)
13. Carl Williams (New York)
14. Eddie Gregg (New York)
15. Renaldo Snipes (New York)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Michael Spinks (Missouri)
2. Dwight Qawi (New Jersey)
3. Eddie Mustafa Muhammad (New Jersey)
4. Eddie Davis (New York)
5. Willie Edwards (Michigan)
6. Marvin Johnson (Indiana)
7. John Davis (New York)
8. Oscar Rivadenyra (New Jersey)
9. Pete McIntyre (California)
10. Richie Kates (Pennsylvania)
11. David Sears (New York)
12. Anthony Witherspoon (Pennsylvania)
13. Prince Mama Mohammad (California)
14. Tim Broady (New York)
15. Mike Rossman (New Jersey)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Marvelous Marvin Hagler (Massachusetts)
2. James Kinchen (California)
3. James Davison (Michigan)
4. Dwight Davison (Michigan)
5. Don Lee (Indiana)
6. Alex Ramos (New York)
7. Frank Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
8. Murray Sutherland (Michigan)
9. Bobby Czyz (New Jersey)
10. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)
11. Mark Holmes (Pennsylvania)
12. Doug De Witt (New York)
13. Andre Cooper (New Jersey)
14. Vinnie Curto (Massachusetts)
15. Billy Robertson (California)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Thomas Hearns (Michigan)
2. Mark Medal (New York)
3. Mike McCallum (New York)
4. Fred Hutchings (California)
5. David Braxton (Michigan)
6. Davey Moore (New York)
7. James Green (New Jersey)
8. Earl Hargrove (Pennsylvania)
9. Buster Drayton (Pennsylvania)
10. Wilfred Benitez (Puerto Rico)
11. Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
12. Darnell Knox (Michigan)
13. Duane Thomas (Michigan)
14. Carlos Santos (Puerto Rico)
15. Mardo Roybal (California)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Donald Curry (Texas)
2. Milton McCrory (Michigan)
3. Simon Brown (Washington, D.C.)
4. Tommy Ayers (Ohio)
5. Maurice Blocker (Washington, D.C.)
6. Pedro Vilella (New York)
7. Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
8. Robert Rucker (New York)
9. Roger Stafford (Pennsylvania)
10. Milton Guest (New York)
11. Lupe Aquino (California)
12. Rudy Hernandez (California)
13. Horace Shufford (Nevada)
14. Pablo Baez (California)
15. Derrick Kelly (Indiana)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
2. Gene Hatcher (Texas)
2. Billy Costello (New York)
3. Johnny Bumphus (New Jersey)
4. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
5. Leroy Haley (Nevada)
6. Saoul Mamby (New York)
7. Gary Hinton (Pennsylvania)
8. Reyes Cruz (New Jersey)
9. Joe Manley (Pennsylvania)
10. Freddie Reyes (Pennsylvania)
11. Jerome Kinney (Michigan)
12. Hilmer Kenby (Michigan)
13. Kel Robin (Florida)
14. Pat Jefferson (Oregon)
15. Bruce Curry (Texas)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Edwin Rosario (Puerto Rico)
2. Livingstone Bramble (New Jersey)
3. Ray Mancini (Ohio)
4. Tyrone Crawley (Pennsylvania)
5. Harry Arroyo (Ohio)
6. Howard Davis Jr. (New York)
7. Charles Brown (New Jersey)
8. Jimmy Paul (Michigan)
9. Terrance Alli (New York)
10. Anthony Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
11. Alvin Hayes (Michigan)
12. Charlie Brown (Pennsylvania)
13. Robin Blake (Texas)
14. Ken Bogner (New Jersey)
15. Juan Ramon Cruz (New York)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
2. Hector Camacho (New York)
3. Roger Mayweather (Nevada)
4. Bobby Chacon (California)
5. Rafael Solis (Puerto Rico)
6. Irving Mitchell (California)
7. Refugio Rojas (California)
8. Kenny Baysmore (Washington, D.C.)
9. Guy Villegas (Oregon)
10. Tyrone Jackson (New York)
11. Kelvin Lampkin (California)
12. Rolando Navarrete (Hawaii)
13. Tommy Cordova (New Mexico)
14. Dana Roston (Nevada)
15. Louie Burke (New Mexico)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Wilfredo Gomez (Puerto Rico)
2. Juan La Porte (Puerto Rico)
3. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
4. Jackie Beard (Michigan)
5. Johnny De La Rosa (Florida)
6. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
7. Gerald Hayes (New Jersey)
8. Jose Caba (California)
9. Ruben Castillo (California)
10. Paul De Vorce (New York)
11. Juan Meza (California)
12. Billy White (Louisiana)
13. Myron Taylor (Pennsylvania)
14. Idabeth Rojas (Florida)
15. Lenny Valdez (Nevada)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Jaime Garza (California)
2. Victor Callejas (Puerto Rico)
3. Mike Ayala (Texas)
4. Juan Meza (California)
5. Oscar Muniz (California)
6. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
7. Vince Christian (Pennsylvania)
8. Pasqual Aranda (Texas)
9. Jose Parilla (Puerto Rico)
10. Carmelo Negron (New York)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Richard Sandoval (California)
2. Albert Davila (California)
3. Jeff Chandler (Pennsylvania)
4. Gaby Canizales (Texas)
5. Oscar Muniz (California)
6. Harold Petty (Texas)
7. Freddy Jackson (Texas)
8. James Pipps (Texas)
9. James Manning (Oregon)
10. Hurley Sneed (Michigan)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Joey Olivo (California)
2. Sugar Rojas (Florida)
3. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
4. Alonso Gonzales (California)
5. Mario Savala (California)
6. Willie Jensen (Nevada)
7. Orlando Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
8. Henry Brent (New York)
9. Cipriano Arreola (California)
10. Rafael Caban (Puerto Rico)
11. Armando Laredo (Texas)
12. Felix Marquiez (Puerto Rico)
13. Ian Clyde (California)
14. Humberto Rodriguez (Texas)
15. Jose De Jesus (Puerto Rico)

trouble with the British Boxing Board for fighting in the U.S. without their approval.

Joe Johnson, 140¼, Detroit, scored an impressive four round upset over (Good Times) Henry Mobley, 142¼, Chicago. Johnson is now 4-0. Mobley is now 11-6.

Rodney Trussel, 148, knocked out Greg Netter, 150, Columbus, Ohio, in 2:02 of the third round.

C.B. Mustafa, 135, Detroit, stopped Larry Hyde, 134, Columbus, Ohio, in the first.

Referees—Dale Grable, Tom Briscoe.
Judges—Tony Rutland, Frank Barbarish, Rose Grable.
Ring Announcer—Jim Ingram.
Gold Circle Productions
Matchmaker—Ross Barber.
PASS cable network
(05-03-84)

NEW JERSEY

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Sands Hotel Casino—Philadelphian Stanley Ross, fighting on just a couple of hours notice, scored a third round TKO over Roddy MacDonald in a hastily patched together main event. MacDonald was originally scheduled to fight former WBA light heavyweight champion Mike Rossman, but Rossman suffered a cut under his chin while sparring and pulled out when the commission doctor told him that the fight would be stopped if the cut reopened.

Ross, 185½, proved that Rossman probably should have taken the risk. MacDonald, 176, had absolutely nothing to offer. Ross opened with a flurry in the first, took a breather in the second, and then finished the inept Canadian with a series of unanswered head shots 37 seconds into the third. The easy win lifted Ross' record to 10-5-1, six kayoes, while MacDonald fell to 23-5, 18 kayoes. The referee was Joe Cortez.

Undefeated Calvin Grove, 126, Phila., won a unanimous 10-round decision over Santos Moreno, 128½, El Paso, Texas, to raise his log to 17-0, nine kayoes. A right-left-right combination to the head floored Moreno in the third for the only highlight of an otherwise monotonous bout. The referee was Tony Perez.

Troy Fletcher (brother of Frank and Anthony) edged past Kirk Harris via a eight-round split decision. Fletcher, 114½, Phila., took two scorecards (5-3 and 5-2-1), while Harris, 117¼, Detroit, earned a dissenting vote of 5-2-1. Referee, Perez.

In the best fight of the night, Jim Leming, 184, Vineland, N.J., won a majority decision over Tom McGuire, 186¼, Phila., six. This was a crude, but exciting, slugfest from the opening bell. Referee, Perez.

Marvis Garris, 131, Phila., TKO'd Randy Thompson, 131½, Washington, DC, at the end of the second round in a scheduled four. Referee, Cortez.

Tony Jackson, 136, Philadelphia, TKO'd Ron Washington, 135½, Phila., at 0:27 of the first round in their scheduled four. Referee, Cortez.

The card was televised over Sports Channel.
Judges—Frank Cairo, Tony Castellano, Carol Castellano
Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc.
(05-21-84) NIGEL COLLINS

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Playboy Hotel-Casino—How long can this go on? In yet another in a long line of custom built shows to showcase and safeguard the clique of boxers from the Montgomery County Boys Club, the "in" crowd fans were blessed once more.

The combined record of the four MONTCO boxers featured is now 55-1-1, 45 via kayo. Are they *that* good?

Steve Traitz, Jr., 174½, Norristown, Pa., knocked out Trent Sarratt, 178, Ellensboro, N.C., in 2:37 of round one. Sarratt was dropped (the final punch being a right) once in a neutral corner. He claimed that he was thumbed (accidentally) by the punch and was rubbing his left eye during the count by ref Zack Clayton. The ring announcer said that the commission was holding up Sarrat's purse pending a probe.

Joe Thomas, 250, Trooper, Pa., stopped Danny (Smiley) Sutton, 204, Spartansburg, S.C., at 2:26 of round two. The southpaw Sutton offered little resistance. He was dropped by a straight right and arose at five, but ref Randy Newman waved it over.

In a third scheduled 10, Willie (The Rock) Harris, 157, Eagleville, Pa., stopped Greg Young, 156, Orlando, Fla., at 2:04 of the fifth. Young was a nothing much runner who nevertheless survived knockdowns in rounds three, four, and five, with ref Zack Clayton finally stopping the non-fight.

In an opening four, Leroy (Spider) Owens, 154, Norristown, Pa., stopped Sam (Car Wash) Lantron, 150, Spartansburg, S.C. at 1:57 of round three. The ordinary Owens dropped Lantron once in the second and twice more in the third before ref Newman stopped it.

A good thing about this one-sided show: it was over early—no TV to draw things out; just bring on the victims and let's get 'em (the fans) down to the gaming tables.

Judges—Lawrence Wallace, Al DeVito, Frank Cairo.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Promoter—Joe Hand Productions.
Matchmaker—Joe Hand, Jr.
(05-28-84)

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Atlantis Hotel-Casino—The road-warrior got an infrequent chance to bring it on home. Philadelphia is only a one-quarter tank drive away, and his K.O. string continued.

Buster Drayton, 154¼, stopped one day sub Gary Coates, 155¼, Youngstown, Ohio, at 2:31 of the fourth, scheduled for 10. Coates, inactive for 18 months, gave it his best shot. The boxers traded stinging punches throughout the short bout. After three, it was even-up. Coates had his jab working, getting through the oh so widely arching pot shots of Buster.

The lone knockdown came as Drayton was on the defensive, after being forced to the ropes. Buster let loose a rare short left hook that had Gary just beating the count. Referee Rudy Battle gave him a good look and Gary gave him a good-night look in return. With the win, Drayton raised his record to 20-8-2, 14 K.O.'s.

In a rather boring and one-sided eight round semi, Richard Brent 160¾, Brooklyn got scores of 7-1 twice and 7-0-1 to defeat Fred McMunn, 161, Philadelphia. The ref was Tony Perez.

Four fours rounded out the program. Calvin Barnett, 145½, The Bronx, had a successful pro debut with a unanimous decision over Scott Owens, 142, Phila. Scott was floored in the second and fourth. Ref, Rudy Battle.

Terrence Simpson, 158, The Bronx, stopped James Howard, 158½, Albany, N.Y., at 1:09 of round two. Howard, up at five from a left hook knockdown, was not allowed to go on by referee Steve Smoger, after Howard himself indicated a desire to call it a night.

"Lightning" Bob Smith, 174, had to settle for a draw with fellow Philadelphian Stan Robinson, 179½. Two judges had it even and Smith got the other vote. Smith controlled 75% of the action and landed some jolting punches in what looked to be a gift for Robinson. The referee was Steve Smoger. Smith's biggest and loudest fan at ringside was WBC heavyweight champion Timmy Witherspoon, a South Philadelphia buddy.

Smooth as silk Larry Leone, 129½, The Bronx, used an educated left hand to give game Bobby Douglas, 128½, W. Deptford, N.J., a complete boxing lesson. The unanimous decision for Leone was refereed by Tony Perez.

Judges—Lynn Carter, Phil Newman, Eva Shain.
Promoter—Joe Hand, Sr.
Matchmaker—Ron Katz.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
(06-25-84)

JACK OBERMAYER

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Resorts Int'l—Lonnie Smith's career gathers momentum, after breaking with Don King and seemingly finding a home on ESPN. The slick and shifty Denver boxer, 141, scored an easy unanimous win over crude brawler Danny "Bronco" Sanchez, also 141, Leisure City, Fla., 10. The word "easy" is often misused for any win short of life-and-death, but in Lonnie's case, it applies. He handled the game Sanchez so effortlessly, it made his own performance seem almost disdainful. After timing the Bronco's wild rushes, Smith had him in trouble in the sixth, then dropped him in the seventh by turning his back and walking away, then wheeling around with a left hook as Danny pursued. "I work on that all the time," Lonnie claimed.

Sanchez was down once more in the seventh, then employed the only tactic he could against a superior boxer. He tried to turn the bout into an undisciplined street fight by charging in swinging like a barn door, but it didn't help. A right dropped him in the ninth, while a left hook in the 10th floored him and made him run out the round for his life. All three scores were shutouts. Joe O'Neil refereed.

In a too-brutal co-feature, 10, "Nino" Gonzalez, 156, Bayonne, and Danny Chapman, 156½, Troy, NY, hammered away on each other with little semblance of defense, and no letups. Gonzalez got the unanimous decision on the strength of harder punching, rocking Chapman more than he got rocked himself. Harold Lederman voted 6-4, while Lawrence Wallace and Frank Brunette both had 6-3-1. Vinnie Rainone refereed.

Gary Lightbourne, 215, Oceanside, NY, scored a close, unanimous win over Tommie Stevenson, 212½, Indianapolis, six. Stevenson, whose nickname is "Wildfire", needs to live up to it. He hurt Gary when he threw, but was just too stingy with punches. Ref, Rainone.

Esteban Pizarro, 162½, Santurce, PR, via NYC, scored a unanimous decision over Henry Bunch, 161¾, Wash., DC, in a wild shootout, six. Pizarro dropped Bunch twice in the first, then was floored himself. The winner then went on to stagger Bunch in almost every round, and had him ready to go in the sixth. Ref, O'Neil.

David Bolletino, 141, Phila., TKO'd Paul Graham, 136, Gary, with one knockdown at 2:13 of the first, scheduled four. Ref O'Neil.

Promoter—Bob Arum (Top Rank, Inc.).
Matchmaker—Bruce Trampler.
Attendance—450 (est.).
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Mike Buffer.

(04-26-84)

▲**ATLANTIC CITY—Playboy Hotel & Casino**—The Montgomery County stable went 4-0 against a scrappy, but outgunned, squad from North Carolina, before a sellout crowd of excited fans. Steve Traitz, 176¼, Norristown, chalked up his second win as a super middle, with a TKO over Frankie Hines, 174½, Shelby, NC, at 1:31 of the fifth, scheduled 10. Switch-hitter Hines tested Steve's chin a bit with a left hook in the first, but Traitz circled away without tipping his hand. Other than that, Frankie took a solid shellacking in bristling action, looping his punches while Traitz snapped his. A right dropped the invader at the end of the fourth, and when Hines was rocked by the same shot in the following round, ref Tony Orlando decided he'd had enough.

Joe Thomas, 249, Trooper, Pa., was taken 10 rounds by a gallant, but too-small Demetrius (Oak Tree) Edwards, 196, Ayden, N.C., in a bruising battle. Joe had to labor to a unanimous decision, as Edwards made the big man chase him and hung tough despite being rocked in the third, fourth, and fifth. Vinnie Rainone refereed.

Willie (The Rock) Harris, 155, Eagleville, Pa., used a strong body attack to dispose of southpaw Ivan Cowan, 156½, Troutman, N.C., with two knockdowns, at 2:17 of the third, scheduled 10. Ref, Orlando.

Possibly the best prospect in the stable, Leroy "Hitman" Owens, 156¼, Norristown, debuted with a unanimous win over John Williams, 160¼, Lincolnton, N.C., four. In solid action, Williams was down in the third, and out of gas in the fourth. Ref, Orlando.

Joey Ropeno, 149¾, Reading, and Edwin Green, 145¼, Warminster, Pa., battled to a draw in an action four. Joey would build a lead, then get tagged with a bomb. Ref, Rainone.

Promoter/matchmaker—Joe Hand.
Attendance—SRO, 1400 (est.).
Judges—Eva Shain, Carol & Tony Castellano.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Guy DeStefano.

(04-30-84)

▲**ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino**—Lindell Holmes, 163, Detroit, took a big step in reviving a sagging career, destroying tough sleeper Leroy Hester, 161¼, Miami, at 2:57 of the sixth, scheduled 10. After a period of forced idleness surrounding his break with Kronk ("I felt I was being kept just to be Hearns' sparring partner."), Holmes booked up with Bill Gutz and trainer Bill Miller, and has rebounded well. Hester, himself fleeing control by Alessi Promotions, was never in the fight. Lindell, with some 125 amateur fights, was too good a tactician for the free-swinging Floridian, who turned pro after only 16 simon-pure bouts. Being relentlessly worn down, Leroy tried punctuating his shots with sound effects in the fifth, but that didn't help. A round later, he leaned into a left hook, tried desperately to grab, and wrestled Holmes across the ring until another hook dropped him on his face. He staggered to his feet, but ref Randy Neumann ruled a TKO.

In the eight-round semi, Joe Frazier, Jr., 137¾, Phila., TKO'd one Steve Guess, 132¼, Savannah, at 1:46 of the first. Guess-Who bounced around like a jack-in-the-box, 'til a left hook deposited him. Ref, Rudy Battle.

Bernard Benton, 187, Toledo, gave a solid beating to Mike Croley, also 187, Verona, OH., by majority verdict in a rough-and-tumble six. Ref, Neumann.

Smooth-boxing Tomas DaCruz, 131, Sao Paulo, Brazil, scored a unanimous decision over always-trying Miguel Matos, 132, Santo Domingo via Bronx, six. Ref Battle.

Southpaw Bryan Miller, 174, Richmond, KY., kayoed an already-exhausted Glenn Wilson, 180, Newark, at 3:03 of the first, scheduled four. Ref, Neumann.

C. B. Mustafa, 132½, Detroit, survived a bad eye cut to take a unanimous decision from "Wicked" Joe Pickett, 130½, Phoenixville, Pa., in a good four. Ref, Battle.

Promoter/matchmaker—Don Elbaum & Ted Menas.
Attendance—SRO, 1400 (est.).
Judges—Ray Hoagland, Richard F. Murry, & Frank Cairo.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.

(05-15-84)

▲**ATLANTIC CITY—Harrah's Marina Hotel & Casino**—Young hopeful Kevin "E.T." Moley got back into action after a closed eye and tougher-than-expected battle with Dave Todt, having a somewhat easier time with Muhammad Shabazz. In brisk action, Moley, 159½, Selden, LI, set the pace, and rattled Shabazz, 159¼, W. Hartford, often. But like a cat, the slippery Shabazz kept getting away, then fighting back, until he ran out of lives in the sixth. Bleeding from a cut right eye, and taking a heavy pounding, Muhammad escaped only long enough to be stopped by the doctors from coming out for the seventh round of a scheduled 10. Surprisingly, the winner admitted he'd opened the cut with a butt. But Moley's relentless pressure had more to do with Muhammad's demise than his head. Paul Venti refereed.

James Morgan, 150¾, Paterson, scored a unanimous decision over an uninspired Miguel Rosa, 155, Holyoke, six. Rosa played safety-first after being staggered in the third. Ref, Frank Cappuccino.

James Howard, 164¾, New Orleans, took a close, but unanimous, decision over Bobby Duncan, 164, Hackensack, in an action four. Ref, Cappuccino.

Gary McCall, 136, Troy, NY, edged Timmy (Holy) Moley, 138¼, Selden, by unanimous verdict in an exciting four. Kevin's brother was on the floor twice and nearly out in the third, but came back to nearly take it from a tiring McCall in the final round. Ref, Venti.

Jack Moore, 138¼, Phila., was down in the first and losing, yet stopped Felipe Parilla, 140, Bronx, on a cut-eye TKO after two rounds of four. Ref, Cappuccino.

Promoter—Dan Duva (Main Events).
Matchmaker—Johnny Bos.
Attendance—800 (est.).

NORTH AMERICAN RATINGS
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HEAVYWEIGHTS
NABF Championship
Vacant
USBA Champion
Greg Page (Kentucky)
1. Larry Holmes (Pennsylvania)
2. Mike Weaver (California)
3. Pinklon Thomas (Pennslyvania)
4. Michael Dokes (Ohio)
5. David Bey (Pennsylvania)
6. Trevor Berbick (Nova Scotia)
7. Jeff Sims (Florida)
8. Mitchell Green (New York)
9. James Broad (New Jersey)
10. James Smith (North Carolina)
11. Tony Tucker (Michigan)
12. Tony Tubbs (Ohio)
13. Eddie Gregg (New York)
14. Renaldo Snipes (New York)
15. James (Quick) Tillis (Illinois)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Anthony Davis (California)
USBA Champion
Marvin Camel (Montana)
1. Alfonzo Ratliff (Illinois)
2. Richie Kates (New Jersey)
3. Young Joe Louis (Illinois)
4. Henry Hearns (California)
5. Alvaro (Yaqui) Lopez (Calif.)
6. Lee Roy Murphy (Illinois)
7. S.T. Gordon (Washington)
8. Stanley Ross (Pennsylvania)
9. Elijah Tillery (New York)
10. Vic Valentino (New Jersey)
11. Bashiru Ali (California)
12. Leon Spinks (Missouri)
13. Tony Green (Florida)
14. Broderick Mason (Pennsylvania)
15. Craig Bodzianowski (Illinois)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Willie Edwards (Pennsylvania)
USBA Champion
Eddie Davis (New York)
1. Dwight Braxton (New Jersey)
2. John Davis (New York)
3. Charles Singleton (Pennsylvania)
4. Pete McIntyre (California)
5. Pablo Pizzaro (New York)
6. David Sears (New York)
7. Marvin Johnson (Indiana)
8. Oscar Rivadeneyra (California)
9. J.B. Williamson (California)
10. Don LaLonde (Manitoba)
11. Roddy McDonald (Ontario)
12. James Salerno (Florida)
13. Jerome Clouden (Louisiana)
14. Eric Winbush (New York)
15. Euclides Valdez (New York)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
James Shuler (Pennsylvania)
USBA Champion
Wilford Scypion (Texas)
1. Mustafa Hamsho (New Jersey)
2. James Kinchen (California)
3. Dwight Davison (Michigan)
4. Mark Holmes (Pennslyvania)
5. Frank Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
6. Bobby Czyz (New Jersey)
7. Don Lee (Indiana)
8. Alex Hilton (Quebec)
9. John Collins (Illinois)
10. Alex Ramos (New York)
11. Lindell Holmses (Michigan)
12. Doug DeWitt (New York)
13. Murray Sutherland (Michigan)
14. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)
15. Andre Cooper (New Jersey)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
David Braxton (Michigan)
USBA Champion
Duane Thomas (Michigan)
1. Mike McCallum (New York)
2. Fred Hutchings (California)
3. Mark Medal (New Jersey)
4. Buster Drayton (Pennsylvania)
5. James Green (New Jersey)
6. Davey Moore (New York)
7. Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
8. Earl Hargrove (Pennsylvania)
9. Kevin Howard (Pennsylvania)
10. Richard Greene (Oregon)
11. Mario Royball (California)
12. Thomas Smith (Texas)
13. Gary Guiden (Indiana)
14. Calvin Porter (Pennsylvania)
15. Kevin Perry (Pennsylvania)

WELTERWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Pedro Villela (New York)
USBA Champion
Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
1. Darrell Chambers (Michigan)
2. Tommy Ayers (Ohio)
3. David Hilton (Quebec)
4. Horace Shufford (Nevada)
5. Milton Guest (New York)
6. Pipino Cuevas (Mexico)
7. Simon Brown (Washington, D.C.)
8. Floyd Mayweather (Michigan)
9. Rudy Hernandez (California)
10. Lupe Aquino (Mexico)
11. Robert Rucker (New York)
12. Maurice Blocker (New Jersey)
13. Lanny Edmond (Michigan)
14. Roger Stafford (Pennsylvania)
15. Clayton Hires (Colorado)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Ronnie Shields (Texas)
USBA Champion
Gary Hinton (Pennsylvania)
1. Leroy Haley (Nevada)
2. Howard Davis, Jr. (New York)
3. Aaron Pryor (Ohio)
4. Saoul Mamby (New York)
5. Johnny Bumphus (New Jersey)
6. Reyes Cruz (New Jersey)
7. Rene Arredondo (Mexico)
8. Joe Manley (New Jersey)
9. Pat Jefferson (Oregon)
10. Hilmer Kenty (Michigan)
11. Tyrone Trice (Michigan)
12. Tony Baltazar (California)
13. Efren Olivo (Texas)
14. Kel Robin (Florida)
15. Freddie Reyes (Pennsylvania)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Jose Luis Ramirez (Mexico)
USBA Champion
Jimmy Paul (Michigan)
1. Harry Arroyo (Texas)
2. Tyrone Crawley (Pennsylvania)
3. Ray Mancini (Ohio)
4. Julio Chavez (Mexico)
5. Kenny Bogner (New Jersey)
6. Robin Blake (Texas)
7. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Nevada)
8. Alvin Hayes (Michigan)
9. Terrance Alli (New York)
10. Mario Cusson (Quebec)
11. John Montes (California)
12. Anthony Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
13. Charlie Brown (New Jersey)
14. Sergio Medina (Mexico)
15. Melvin Paul (Louisiana)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Guy Villegas (Oregon)
USBA Championship
Vacant
1. Mario Martinez (Mexico)
2. Roger Mayweather (Michigan)
3. Tony Santana (New York)
4. Rolando Navarrete (Hawaii)
5. Bobby Chacon (California)
6. Frankie Baltazar (California)
7. Dennis Cruz (New Jersey)
8. Margarito Marquez (Texas)
9. Ralph Avilas (Hawaii)
10. Louie Burke (New Mexico)
11. Tommy Cordova (New Mexico)
12. Efrain Nieves (Wisconsin)
13. Freddie Roach (Nevada)
14. Billy White (Texas)
15. Greg Coverson (Michigan)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Jackie Beard (Michigan)
USBA Champion
Irving Mitchell (California)
1. Jose Caba (Hawaii)
2. Marcos Villasana (Mexico)
3. Ruben Castillo (California)
4. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
5. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
6. Oscar Bejines (Mexico)
7. Jorge (Rocky) Garcia (Calif.)
8. Refugio Rojas (California)
9. Tyrone Jackson (New York)
10. Dana Roston (Nevada)
11. Lenny Valdez (Mexico)
12. Steve Cruz (Texas)
13. Paul DeVorce (New York)
14. Adrian Arreola (California)
15. Gerald Hayes (New Jersey)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Mike Ayala (Texas)
USBA Championship
Vacant
1. Juan (Kid) Meza (California)
2. Antonio de la Paz (Mexico)
3. Ricardo Varella (California)
4. Vince Christian (Pennsylvania)
5. Martin Castro (Mexico)
6. Joaquin Acuna (Mexico)
7. Celso Munoz (Mexico)
8. Kenny Mitchell (New York)
9. Juan Veloz (New York)
10. Pascual Arranda (Texas)
11. Leo Martinez (Mexico)
12. Hector Cortez (New York)
13. Carlos Flores (Texas)
14. Sergio Zambrano (Mexico)
15. Carlos Segura (Mexico)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Harold Petty (Texas)
USBA Champion
Gaby Canizales (Texas)
1. Freddie Jackson (Texas)
2. Oscar Muniz (California)
3. Jeff Chandler (Pennsylvania)
4. Hurley Snead (Michigan)
5. Gilberto Roman (Mexico)
6. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
7. Daniel Zaragoza (Mexico)
8. James Manning (Oregon)
9. James Pipps (Texas)
10. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
11. Javier Marquez (Mexico)
12. George Garcia (California)
13. Greg Richardson (Ohio)
14. Rodolfo Martinez (Mexico)
15. Wayne Lynum (Illinois)

FLYWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Alonzo Gonzalez (California)
USBA Champion
Joey Olivo (California)
1. Eleoncio Mercedes (Mexico)
2. Juan Herrera (Mexico)
3. Freddie Castillo (Mexico)
4. Candido Tellez (Mexico)
5. Mario Savalla (California)
6. Guty Espadas (Mexico)
7. Javier Lucas (Mexico)
8. Mario Gonzalez (Mexico)
9. Ernesto (Che) Guevara (Mexico)
10. Roberto Ramirez (Mexico)
11. Felix Marquez (Connecticut)
12. Armando Cordova (Mexico)
13. Jimmy Fernandez (Mexico)
14. Antonio Avelar (Mexico)
15. Paul Valdez (Mexico)

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
NABF Champion
Joey Olivo (California)
USBA Championship
Vacant
1. Isidro Perez (Mexico)
2. German Torres (Mexico)
3. Francisco Montiel (Mexico)
4. Lupe Madera (Mexico)
5. Amado Ursua (MeXico)
6. Luis Hernandez (Mexico)
7. Baby Luis (Mexico)
8. Efren Pinto (Mexico)
9. Jorge Cano (Mexico)
10. Aaron Garcia (Mexico)
11. Javier Davila (Mexico)
12. Candelario Carmona (Mexico)
13. Fili Gonzalez (Mexico)
14. Ricardo Sosa (Mexico)
15. Juan Manuel Rios (Mexico)

(As of June 25, 1984)

Judges—Frank Brunette, Phil Newman, & Paul Cavaliere.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.
(05-16-84)

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino—Tony Nelson, whose career had hit the skids as a middleweight, resumed action at light heavy, and scored a solid win over Alvino Manson. The scheduled 10 opened with Nelson, 176, Braddock, PA, smartly outboxing the strong, but crude, Manson. But in the fifth, Alvino, 175¼, Anderson, Ind., began to penetrate Nelson's counters and score well to the body with a bull attack. The fight was starting to even up when ref Frank Cappuccino penalized Manson the seventh, after an over-enthusiastic body assault drifted below the border. This may have cost Alvino the fight. He charged out for the eighth as if wanting to make up for the previous round, and recklessly exchanged with Nelson at medium range. A crunching right wobbled him, and he went down under a hail of punches, with the ref calling a TKO at 1:11.

Robert Folley, 176, Irvington, NJ, punched in flurries, then shut down Gene Clements, 173, Lynn, Mass., to gain a unanimous decision in a dull eight. Ref, Ted Pick.

Earnest Jackson, 156, Phila., had trouble with inexperienced Jeff Fields, 157¾, Jessup, Md., having to come on late to take a close, unanimous decision, six. Ref, Cappuccino.

Larry Highsmith, 128, Trenton, got an undeserved split decision over Keely Thompson, 126¾, Wash., DC, in a great six. The determined Highsmith kept coming back from the brink of disaster to "steal" the verdict. Ref, Pick.

Andrew Stokes, 225¼, Anderson, battered lefty Alfonso Jackson, 203½, Newark, for a unanimous decision, four. Ref, Cappuccino.

Joe Summers, 152½, Pleasantville, TKO'd Greg Cooper, 150¾, Lima, OH, with two knockdowns, at 1:56 of the second of four. Ref, Pick.

Promoter/matchmaker—Don Elbaum & Ted Menas.
Attendance—900 (est.).
Judges—John Stewart, Ray Hoagland, & Lawrence Wallace.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.
(05-22-84)

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino—Last-minute scrambling to make a main event led to a bad mix of styles, as Elvin (a/k/a "Irving") Gonzalez came in as a sub for a sub, to oppose talented southpaw Juan Veloz. For five rounds, the transplanted Mexican Veloz, 124¼, and the transplanted Puerto Rican Gonzalez, 130½, both now out of New York, provided little action. Neither was prepared for the other, as counterpuncher Veloz had trouble finding the tentative Gonzalez. Juan finally decided to take matters into his own hands in the sixth, going on the offensive behind a battering-ram jab. Elvin's nose was pouring blood, and he claimed difficulty breathing, in deciding not to come out for the seventh of a scheduled 10. Larry Hazzard refereed.

After two straight losses, Bobby Johnson, 135½, Easton, was given a confidence-builder in shopworn veteran Luis (The Bull) Vega, 136¼, Reading. Luis, who no longer had the physical drive to support his nickname, was completely befuddled by Johnson's sharp boxing, and elected not to come out for the fourth of a scheduled eight. Paul Venti refereed.

Bob Jennings, 172, Laurens, SC, took a unanimous decision from Tony Curovic, 175¾, Montenegro, Yugoslavia, via Maple Hgts., OH, in a mauling eight. Ref, Hazzard.

Tomas DaCruz, 132, Sao Paulo, Brazil, via NYC, scored a unanimous win over Leon Drummond, 129¾, Easton, in a rousing battle, eight. Leon would erupt in flurries, then tire and drop his guard. Ref, Venti.

Bertram Buchanan, 154, Brooklyn, was too much for Ernest "Candyman" Perry, 150¼, Newport News, pummelling him on the ropes when ref Venti stopped it at 1:22 of the second in a scheduled four.

Promoter/matchmaker—Don Elbaum & Ted Menas.
Attendance—1000 (est.).
Judges—Milo Savage, Eva Shain, & Harold Lederman.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.
(05-29-84)

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Harrah's Marina Hotel & Casino — Bobby Czyz hammered out a unanimous win over Mark Frazie in about as good a fight as one can get from a one-sided rout, 10. Frazie, 167¾, Sciotoville, OH, beefed-up to his old fighting weight from his amateur days, didn't sleepwalk as in recent performances. He tried meeting the onrushing Czyz with footwork and counters, and did land enough right hand bombs to hold Bobby's, and the crowd's, attention. But Czyz, 167, Wanaque, N.J., was more than up to it. He dogged Frazie effectively, and confused him by switching up to a southpaw stance while firing jarring right hooks. Bobby accomplished something neither Alex Ramos nor Wilford Scypion could, when a relentless attack had Mark in trouble and ready to fall in the ninth. Phil Newman scored it 9-1, Thomas Kaczmarek 8-2, and Frank Brunette 9-0-1. Tony Perez refereed.

A talkative Czyz said afterwards that his sites are set on Murray Sutherland's IBF super middle crown. "I'd like to get that title for my father. I owe that to him as much as for myself or anyone else." He claimed none of Frazie's shots bothered him. Indeed, he didn't think he *could* be knocked out. "Some people say I don't have much defense . . .that's not true. Because of my lack of reach and height, I gotta gamble." But he seemed to contradict himself when he attributed his tendency to flurry, then ease off, to caution. Otherwise, his plan was sound. He said he knew Frazie had trouble with lefthanders, so he prepared himself with that switch-hitting right that proved so effective. When asked why they traded faces as well as punches in the seventh, Bobby responded, "He made some noises . . .I don't know what he was doing, growling or something."

Robert Hines, 151, Phila., looked sharp, as he tore apart Dennis Fain, 150¼, Akron, until ref Tony Orlando rescued him on his feet at 1:40 of the second, scheduled 10.

In a battle of unbeaten kids, Tony Montgomery, 146¾, Phila., established himself as one to watch, with a solid unanimous win over Steve Little, 147¼, Reading, six. Ref, Orlando.

Ticket-seller Chris Reid, 167¼, Little Silver, NJ, belted Glenn Johnson, 166¾, Bronx, for a three-knockdown TKO at 2:35 of the first, scheduled four. Ref, Perez.

Terrence Simpson, 157, Bronx, kayoed stiff, Eugene Holly, 158, Ashtabula, OH, who flopped at 2:37 of the first, scheduled four. Ref, Orlando.

Promoter—Dan Duva (Main Events).
Matchmaker—Johnny Bos.
Attendance—800 (est.).
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.
(05-30-84)

▲ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino—Earnest Jackson, 154¼, Phila., scored a TKO over Danny Chapman, 157, Troy, NY, at 0:30 of the fifth, in a fierce truggle. "Li'l Silky", as Jackson likes to be known, is a sleeper who can fight when in shape, but suffers from periods of inactivity. Chapman is a face-first attacker, who has too much heart for his own good. Wading in wringing, he seemed content to pick off Silky's expert counters with his head. Though he made the sometimes-lazy Jackson fight to survive, Chapman absorbed fearsome punishment. His nose was pouring blood, and left eye nearly closed, when referee Rudy Battle mercifully halted the scheduled 10.

In the fight of the night, Jeff Whaley, 116¼, Cincinnati, and Sam David, 118, Phillipsburg, N.J., battled to an appropriate draw, 6. Whaley's sharper boxing, tattooed brawler David in the first half. But Sam refused to be discouraged. His piledriver attack turned the tables on a tiring Whaley, until Jeff pulled out a sensational last-round rally to prevent David from stealing it. Two judges voted even, while Lynne Carter had a weird 3-1-2 for David. Joe O'Neil refereed.

Chester Richardson, 125, Youngstown, methodically outfought Tony Coleman, 125½, Trenton, for a unanimous win, six. Ref, Battle.

David Savage, 155¾, Phila., dropped lefty Sidney Outlaw, 155½, Phila., in the third, but Outlaw came back to make a fight of it in the last round. Savage took the unanimous decision, four. Ref, O'Neil.

Kevin Watts, 161, Pleasantville, floored and TKO'd Ali Bey, 158¾, Wilmington, at 1:54 of the fourth and final round of a good scrap. Ref, Battle.

Atlas Pinson, 138, Phila., wore out southpaw James Lyons, 135¾, York, Pa., in taking the unanimous decision, four. Ref, O'Neil.

Promoter/matchmaker—Don Elbaum & Ted Menas.
Attendance—1200 (est.).
Judges—Richard F. Murry, Lynne Carter, & Wm. Kostrub.
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.
Announcer—Ed Derian.
(06-05-84)

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NEW YORK

▲NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum—James (Buddy) McGirt, 141, Brentwood, Long Island, New York, TKO'd Pete Padilla, 142, Bronx, New York, at 1:07 of the 10th and final round. Larry Hazzard, referee.

McGirt is now 15-0-1 with 14 kayoes. Padilla, who has seen better days, is 14-6-1 with two knockouts.

Joe Louis Manley, 140, Atlantic City, won a unanimous decision over Terry Whitaker, 140½, New Rochelle, New York, 10. Scoring: Peter Heller, 6-3-1 (8-3 in points); Ed Post, 8-1-1 (9-1); Victor Suarez, 6-4. Vinnie Ferguson, referee. Manley is now 17-2-0 with nine knockouts. Whitaker is 19-3-1 with nine kayoes.

Ricky Young, 136½, Brooklyn, TKO'd Rodney Moore, 135½, Philadelphia, at 1:08 of the third round in a scheduled eight. Johnny Colan, referee.

Milton Leak, 151½, Hartford, Conn., kayoed Jose Fuentes, 151, Jersey City, with a stomach punch in 2:47 of the fourth round in their scheduled eight. Johnny Colan, referee.

Harry Toro, 134½, Bayonne, New Jersey, TKO'd southpaw Angelo Lewis, 136, Paterson, New Jersey, at 2:56 of the first round in a scheduled four. Vinnie Ferguson, referee.

Horacio Perez, 158, Colombia, won a unanimous decision over Sidney Outlaw, 156, Philadelphia, four. Scoring: Heller, 4-0; Post and Suarez, both 3-1. Larry Hazzard, referee.

Mike Triccarico, 144½, Brooklyn, and Glenn Ross, 148, New York, drew in the four-round opener. Scoring: Heller, 2-2; Post, 4-0, Triccarico; Suarez, 3-1, ross. Harry Smith, referee.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.
(05-25-84)

▲NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum—Joe Louis Manley, 140, Atlantic City, racked up his 18th win 20 bouts by virtue of a split decision victory over Victor Babilonia, 139½, Miami, 10. Scoring: Billy Grahahm, 8-2, Manley; Artie Levine, 6-4, Babilonia; Victor Suarez, 8-1-1, Manley. Tony Perez, referee. Babilonia is now 19-2 with 11 kayoes.

Randy Smith, 160½, Chicago, knocked out previously unbeaten Arthur Anthony Holt, 159, Brooklyn, in 2:37 of the third round in their scheduled 10. Joe Santarpia, referee. Smith is now 13-2 with nine knockouts. Holt is 11-1 with nine kayoes.

Ricky Young, 136½, Brooklyn, won a split decision over Junior Velez, 138, Jersey City, eight. Scoring: Graham, 6-2, Velez; Levine, 5-3 (6-5 in points), Young; Suarez, 5-3, Young. Bill Tate, referee.

Al Santana, 148, Bayonne, won a majority decision over Teddy (Sweet Sugar) White, Newark, eight. Scoring: Graham, 5-3 (5-4); Levine, 4-4 (5-5); Suarez, 5-2-1. Joe Santarpia, referee.

Richard Burton, 160½, Bronx, TKO'd Marty Johnson, 156, New York, at 2:43 of the first round in a scheduled six. Referee Tate stopped the contest prematurely.

Pedro Maisonet, 141, Bronx, won a unanimous decision over Edgar Brito, 139½, New York, four. Scoring: Graham and Suarez, both 4-0; Levine, 3-1 (4-1). Joe Santarpia, referee.

Terry Branch, 121, Queens, New York, won a unanimous decision over Juan Muriel, 124, New York, four. Scoring: Graham, 3-0-1; Levine and Suarez, both 4-0. Tony Perez, referee.

A scheduled bout between Rickey Holden, 145, New York, and Rodney Bowen, 146, New York, was cancelled.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.
(06-29-84)

▲NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum—James (Buddy) McGirt, 141½, Brentwood, Long Island, knocked out Manuel Toribio, 144, Union City, New Jersey, in 1:40 of the third round in a scheduled 10. Toribio was down thrice. John LoBianco, referee.

McGirt is now 16-0-1 with 15 knockouts. Toribio is 7-3-1 with three kayoes.

Troy Darrell, 152, White Plains, New York, TKO'd Jesus Munoz, 155, Hartford, Conn., at 2:48 of round two in a scheduled eight. Arthur Mercante, Jr., referee.

Mike Martinez, 155½, Brooklyn, won a majority decision over Freddie Brown, 155, Newark, eight. Scoring: Leo Dazzo, 6-2; Harold Lederman, 5-3; Danny Whelan, 4-4. Randy Neumann, referee.

David (The Hammer) Harris, 179, Huntington, New York, TKO'd Understanding Allah, 170½, New York, at 0:52 of the first round in a scheduled six. Randy Neumann, referee.

Rodney Bowen, 143, New York, TKO'd Ricky Holden, 145, New York, at 0:53 of the third round in their scheduled six. John LoBianco, referee.

Alberto (The Cobra) Ramos, 126½, Brooklyn, TKO'd Moises Fontana, 126, Dominican Republic, at 1:53 of the third round in a scheduled four. Arthur Mercante, Jr., referee.

Mike Tricarico, 145½, Brooklyn, won a unanimous decision over southpaw Mike Jones, 143, Jersey City, four. Scoring: Dazzo and Whelan, both 4-0; Lederman, 3-1. Randy Neumann, referee.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.
(07-12-84)

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PENNSYLVANIA

▲PHILADELPHIA—The Blue Horizon—Two eights topped another fine show at this great little fight shrine. Jesse Ferguson, 209½, Phila., halted Robert Hill, 200½, also Philadelphia, when Hill could not come out for the last round. It went into the books as an eighth round TKO. The stoppage was due to a severe cut over his right eye, one which he received late in round seven while being floored by Jesse, who was ahead throughout.

Junie Nash, 147½, Phila., boxed a draw with Marlon Palmer, 150, Pottstown, Pa. Scores were, Judge Al Morris had it 37-35 Palmer, Tommy Cross had it even at 38-38 and Carol Polis saw it 38-36 Nash. *The Ring* thought Nash a 38-34 winner. It was his counter right being more effective than the Palmer jab.

In a scheduled six, Darryl Martin, 140, Phila., stopped Cookie James, also 140, Phila., at 2:17 of round two. It was an even fight until a left hook to the body put James down. He arose at eight but claimed that he had been thumbed by an earlier punch in the knockdown flurry. He could not continue.

Three four rounders finished the card. In the best bout of the night, Bryan "Boogaloo" Jones, 118, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Lawrence Cheatham, 111, also Philadelphia. The crowd cheered the game effort of the debuting Cheatham who was in against a house fighter.

In two blowouts, Andre Sharpe Richardson, 142½, Phila., knocked out Ray Henderson, 143½, Paterson, N.J. at 0:48 of the first. A left hook to the body was the final punch and Henderson wisely took the full count while on one knee.

Hugh "Buttons" Kearney, 146½, Phila., stopped Wali Abdullah, 147, Phila., at 1:59 of the first. The south paw Kearney didn't score any knockdowns but he just simply didn't stop throwing punches and the winless (0-7?) Wali had no choice but to cover up at all times.

Referees—Tommy Reed worked the Jones and Kearney wins as well as the Nash-Palmer draw. Frank Cappucciano handled the Ferguson, Martin and Richardson wins.

Timekeeper—J.P. Mena.
Promoter—J. Russell Peltz.
Matchmaker—Harold Moore.
(06-05-84)

JACK OBERMAYER

▲PHILA.—Champ's Camp—An unpromising card on paper turned out to be a pleasant surprise, as several so-so opponent types gave life-and-death efforts. Trenton's Tim Daniels, 129, was promoted to the scheduled eight-round main event when the commission axed Ricky Spencer over an eye abnormality. Ironically, Daniels himself was stopped on a badly cut right eye, after three rounds, by Myron Taylor, 128, Phila. Myron was dominated the action, but Tim gave a good account of himself. Hank Cisco refereed.

Once-promising Broderick Mason, 195, Phila., trying to re-establish his career as a cruiserweight, scored a close, but unanimous, verdict over Demetrius (Oak Tree) Edwards, 187, Brooklyn, eight. A blistering body attack hurt Edwards early, and turned him to moving and boxing, which got him back into the fight, before a closing surge by Mason edged it out. Scores: Lynne Carter 37-36, Bob LaGuardia 38-37, and Al Morris 38-35. Ozzie Sadler refereed.

Sterling Quick, 163, Phila., took a close, split decision in a tooth-and-nail battle with Tim Richardson, 162, Trenton, six. Ref, Cisco.

Jack Moore, 136½, Phila., and Wally (Tom Tom) Thomas, 139½, Trenton, drew in an action four. Moore was down in the first, but appeared to deserve the edge. Ref, Ozzie.

"Nasty" Nate Daniels, 162, Phila., and Charles Pope, 162½, Phila., also battled to a draw, four. Ref, Cisco.

Promoter—Barry Shapiro.
Matchmaker—Ken Hissner.
Attendance—450, $5000 (est.).
Timekeeper—J. P. Mina.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
(04-13-84)

▲PHILA.—Blue Horizon—The exciting comeback of this club under the Peltz-Moore combine continued apace, with another excellent card and house. Jimmy (Shotgun) Muse, 148, Phila., took a unanimous decision from Johnny Cooper, 147, Phila., in a life-and-death eight that had fans on their feet and crowding the ringside. The comebacking veteran Cooper looked rusty, and

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doesn't seem to have the legs, but was experienced enough to give young Muse all he wanted. Jimmy was staggered twice in the fifth, caught a thumb in the sixth, then dropped Cooper in the seventh, with both battling to a furious finish. Bob LaGuardia and Al Morris both voted 38-34, with Tommy Cross 37-36. Tommy Reid reffed.

Plump Lonnie Jackson, 275, Phila., steamrollered Tony Jackson, 204, Phila., for a three-knockdown TKO in 1:55 of a frenetic first, scheduled four. Debuting as a referee was former heavyweight contender Dan Bucceroni.

Andre Sharpe Richardson, 142, Phila., cannonballed out of his corner to cut down and kayo Donald Gwinn, 145, Phila., in 0:58 of the first, scheduled six. Ref Bucceroni.

Bryan Jones, 117, Phila., scored a unanimous win in a good fight with Lonnie Bryant, 124, Brooklyn, four. Ref, Bucceroni.

Scott Owens, 144, Kensington, outslugged Wali Abdullah, 146, Phila., for a unanimous verdict in a toe-to-toe four. Ref, Reid.

Southpaw Ali Saad Muhammad, 138¼, Phila., gave a lacing to David Bookman, 146, Phila., for a majority decision, four. Ref, Reid.

Promoter—J. Russell Peltz.
Matchmaker—Harold Moore.
Attendance—900, $8000 (est.).
Timekeeper—J. P. Mina.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
(05-01-84)

▲**PHILA.—J & A Caterers**—Marvin Mack, looking to crash the casino circuit, may have finished his club apprenticeship with a solid K.O. over Vernon Reed in a scheduled eight. Mack, 169¾, S. Phila., was leading in a spirited battle when a left hook stunned Reed, 168½, Braddock, Pa., sending him sagging into the ropes. A volley then crumpled Vernon for the count at 1:23 of the seventh. Reed was scrappy, but seemed to lack a battle plan, too often looking for Mack to give him something. Frank Cappuccino refereed.

Prospect John David Jackson, 157, Lansdale, Pa., beat Robert Thomas, 157¾, N. Phila., by unanimous decision in a battle of lefties, six. Jackson turned boxer and showed good movement, after Thomas had tagged him with some good lefts early. Ref Cappuccino.

Rodney Moore, 134, N. Phila., demolished Matt O'Malley, 135, Scranton, with three knockdowns at 2:03 of the first, scheduled six. Ref, Cappuccino.

Bobby Douglas, Jr., 131½, Woodbury, N.J., wore down and stopped James Lyons, 133, N. PHila., on his feet at 2:04 of the fourth and final round. Rudy Battle refereed. The debuting Douglas is the son of the tough S. Philly club fighter of the 'Fifties.'

Scott Owens, 145, Kensington, shook off a bad eye cut to TKO "Pee Wee" Brown, 141½, N. Phila., with three knockdowns at 2:08 of the first, scheduled four. Ref, Battle.

Willie Ford, 127, S. Phila., scored a unanimous win over lefty Kevin Jackson, 130¼, S. Phila., in a good four. Ref, Battle.

Promoter/matchmaker—Bob Connelly.
Attendance—250, $3800 (est.).
Judges—Al Morris, Lynne Carter, & Carol Polis.
Timekeeper—J. P. Mina.
Announcer—Dave Zinkoff.
(05-10-84)

▲**PHILA.—Champ's Camp**—This new club concluded an excellent inaugural season with possibly their best card yet. In a scheduled eight, Broderick Mason, 190, Phila., TKO'd Frank Draper, 198, Cinc., at 0:46 of the fourth of a thrilling battle. Mason was surprised when a left hook decked him early in the first. Weathering a storm, he came back to dump Frank with a flurry to the body and a left hook to the head just before the bell. From there on, the overweight visitor was drubbed into exhaustion, until ref Rudy Battle saved him.

The prelims were all scheduled fours. The bulldozing of Lonnie Jackson, 272, Philadelphia, was too much for Thomas Brown, 205, Phila., who quit after one wild round. Ref, Charlie Sgrillo.

Stanley Robinson, 181, Phila., came back from a pasting to upset debuting ticket-seller Ken Farabee, 180, Warminster, when a right dropped and TKO'd Ken at 1:14 of a free-swinging first. Ref, Battle.

Tony Montgomery, 148, Phila., spoiled the debut of amateur standout Nicky Starkey, 150, Chester, when a perfect right counter sat Starkey down for a TKO at 2:13 of the second. Ref, Sgrillo.

Dom Parris, 160, Phila., needed a big last round to gain a majority win over James Barham, also 160, Philadelphia, in a great four. Ref, Battle.

"Stingray" McCarthy, 173, Easton, TKO'd Tony Adams, 171, Phila., who was apparently too embarrassed to come out for the third after getting punched right out of a shoe in the previous round. Ref, Sgrillo.

Lefty Sidney Outlaw, 158, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Nate Godbolt, also 158, Philadelphia, in a rugged four. Ref, Battle.

Promoter—Barry Shapiro.
Matchmaker—Ken Hissner.
Attendance—350, $3500 (est.).
Judges—Al Morris, Joe Sweeney, & Carol Polis.
Timekeeper—J. P. Mina.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
(05-18-84)

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TEXAS

▲**LAREDO—Civic Center**—Local welterweight Plavio Taboado stopped Juan Angel Villasana, Mexico, at 1:09 of the third round in the evening's main event.

Enrique Flores, Laredo, TKO'd Cornelio Vega, Mexico, lightweights. Vega failed to answer the bell for the seventh round.

Francisco Mendoza, Mexico, eight, junior lights.

Herbie Limon, Corpus Christi, TKO'd Rodiofo Ramirez, Mexico, at 2:50 of the first round, welters.

Phil Sawyer, Fort Worth, kayoed Jose Chiavarria, Mexico, in 1:50 of the first round, junior middles.

Jesus Godoy, Nuevo Laredo, knocked out Adrian Lee, Fort Worth, in 2:42 of the fifth round, middles.

Laredo Boxing Club.
Matchmaker—Dr. Luis O. Mendoza.
Attendance—150.
(03-12-84)

▲**PASADENA—Gilley's Club/Rodeo Arena**—Las Vegas veteran Freddie Roach, 131¼, took the inside play away from Delio (Red) Palacios, 130, Benavides, to seal a convincing, unanimous decision win at this huge country and western dance hall.

In his first 10-round effort, unheralded Charlie Campbell, 162½, won a unanimous decision over Oklahoma City' Tony Harrison, 163½. With a bit more seasoning, Campbell might be one to watch.

Houston's Sammy Fuentes, 124½, TKO'd Chihuahua's Edgar Muniz, 124, who did not come out for round seven.

Mark Lassien, 142, Vinton, La. won an eight-round majority nod over Houston's Dwayne Prim, 141¼.

Local Ty Horne, 144, won a four-round unanimous verdict over Houston's Mike Brown, 145.

Mike PHelps, 115½, Lumberton, took a six-round unanimous decision from Houston's Felipe Mojica, 114¼/.

Referees—Mark Tessman, Bob Gonzales.
Judges—Henry Harris, Bob Martin, Tony Sechelski.
Timekeeper—Tommy Ferris.
Knockdown timer—Jack Joerns.
Prmoters—Gilley's, Pat Norville of Texas Fisticuffs, Top Rank.
Matchmakers—Tony Gardner of Top Rank and Hernan Hernandez of Texas Fisticuff.
Attendance—1,200 (est.).
(03-21-84)

▲**CORPUS CHRISTI—Coliseum**—WBC junior lightweight titleholder Hector (Macho) Camacho, 135, New York, stopped Rafael Williams, 133¾, Panama City, at 2:28 of the seventh.

Robert (Pee Wee) Rucker, 146, New York, survived a few rocky moments in the middle rounds to capture a unanimous decision over Willie (Fireball) Rodriguez, 144½, Allentown, PA., 10.

Frankie Warren, 139¼, Corpus Christi, won an eight-round unanimous decision over Ford Jennings, 140, Fort Worth, in an exciting prelim.

Lupe Suarez, 126, Corpus Christi, easily stopped Leo Martinez, also 126, El Paso, at 0:28 of round five.

Chris Silvas, 131¼, Corpus Christi, won by TKO—not out for the sixth—over Rafael VeLarde, 131, Mexico.

Eloy Guerra, 178, Corpus Christi, turned pro and won a four round unanimous decision over Marcus Dorsey, 182, Port Arthur.

Cisco Estrada, 159, Corpus Christi, stopped Mauro Veronica, 156, Mexico, at 2:57 of the first.

Promoter—Main Events & Lester Bedford
Matchmakers—Dan Duva & Wayne Harrison
Attendance—6,800.
Gate: $94,950.00—the largest indoor gate ever in Corpus Christi.

The Camacho-Williams, Rucker-Rodriguez, and Warren-Jennings bouts were televised over N.B.C.
(05-20-84)

▲**HOUSTON—Esquire Ballroom**—In an exciting, action packed main event, Edgar Muniz, 120, Houston, won an eight round decision over Jesus Gonzalez, 118, Mexico.

Tony Oville, 179, Port Arthur, stopped house favorite Terrance Walker, 173¼, Houston, at 32 seconds of round four.

Derwin Richards, 126¼, Houston, won a knockout victory over Eddie Wyatt, 127, Houston, at 1:42 of the fourth.

Glen Bowers, 162, Houston, captured a four round majority decision over debuting Jonathon Ivory, 160, Port Arthur.

Gilbert Antoine, 132, Port Arthur, won a four round unanimous decision over Darren Neal, 130, Houston.

Capri Lipkin, 126, Houston, won by TKO at 2:00 of the first round over Bobby Moore, 127, Houston.

Jarvis Manning, 141, Houston, won by knockout at 2:03 of round one over Don Williams, 140, Houston.

Troy Lair, 120, Houston, won a four round majority decision over Eloy Santos, 121, Mexico, in the curtain raiser.

Promoter—Bill Pye
Matchmaker—John English
Attendance—400 (est.)—Where have the former SRO crowds of 600 + gone?
Gate—$4,535.00
(05-22-84)

▲**HOUSTON—The Summit**—Barry Audia, 156¼, Pennington Gap, Va., won a relatively easy 10 round unanimous decision over Tom (Mad Dog) Smith, 156½, Houston. Audia, answering those critics who said he had only faced bums and stiffs, was obviously fired up and just a bit too strong for the previously undefeated Smith.

Aaron Lopez, 123, San Antonio, avenged his only loss as a pro by stopping local favorite Pascual Aranda, 124¼, Houston. The ringside medical officers ruled Aranda unable to come out for the 5th due to a severe cut over his right eye.

Othal (Choo-Choo) Dixon, 138½, Houston, kayoed Dwayne Prim, 138¼, Fort Worth, at 2:52 of round two. Dixon is improving every time out, and bears watching in the future.

Ron Haynes, 136¼, Houston, won a TKO over Reggie Robinson, 136½, Fort Worth, at 1:46 of round three as the result of a nasty cut the length of Reggie's left eyelid.

Raphe Sims, 135, Galena Park, TKO'd James Sanders, 134½, Mississippi, at 2:30 of the sixth and final round.

Carlos Becerra, 140½, Rosenburg, won a four round unanimous decision over Jimmy Mitchell, 137, Mississippi.

Lee Canalito, 239, Houston, stopped inept Harold Campbell, 203, Shreveport, at 1:02 of round one. Canalito is now under the eyes of the Houston Boxing Association, having left Sylvester Stallone and Richie Giachetti.

Promoter—Houston Boxing Association
Matchmaker—Tony Gardner.
Attendance—3,250 (est.).

All bouts except for the Becerra-Mitchell and Canalito-Campbell matches were televised over ESPN.
(05-24-84)

▲**SAN ANTONIO—Freeman Coliseum**—Mike Ayala, 119, San Antonio, won by TKO over Jesus Lopez, also 119, Mexico, at 1:42 of the fourth round, in a tuneup for Mike's proposed summer clash with W.B.C. super bantamweight title holder Jaime Garza.

Gaby Canizales, 114½, Laredo, stopped shortie Javier Diaz, 112½, Mexico at 1:58 of the second round.

Pablo (Paulie) Ayala, 117½, won an eight round unanimous decision over Jesus Muniz, 119, Mexico.

Gary Roemhild, 146¼, San Antonio, TKO'd Juan Gonzales, 144, Mexico, at 1:15 of round two.

Larry Phelps, 173, San Antonio, defeated much more experienced Marcus Dorsey, 174, Port Arthur, on a six round unanimous decision.

Al Rangel, 122, San Antonio, kayoed Jose Williams, 124, El Paso, with only six seconds remaining in round one.

Eddie Rangel, 114¾, San Antonio, won a four round unanimous decision over Ray Eureste, 115, Mexico.

Promoter—Carlos Perez
Attendance—(est.) 3,500
Gate—$38,385.00
(06-06-84)

▲**MCALLEN—Casa De Armistad**—Efren Olivo, 142, McAllen, scored his biggest win to date as a pro by stopping much more experienced Martin Rojas, 143, Los Angeles. Rojas had won the first four rounds handily, but ran out of gas and was out on his feet when the referee stopped the fight at 1:52 of round six. Rojas is the same fellow who previously fought out of Miami.

Ignacio Zavala, 157, Brownsville, won via TKO over Jesus Godoy, 161, Mexico, at 2:27 of the third.

Pat Rivers, 111, McAllen, stopped Juan Camero, 108, Mexico, at 1:08 of round one. Watch for young Rivera, a fine prospect.

Ray Jones, 149, Tyler, stopped Ranulfo Cardona, 145, Mexico, at 1:47 of round three.

Jimmy Jones, 127, Tyler, won by TKO over Mario Hernandez, 124, Mexico, when Hernandez couldn't come out for round six.

Promoter—Dr. Homero Rivas.
Matchmaker—Ray Sepulveda.
Attendance—625
Gate: $5,590.00
(06-07-84)

▲**DALLAS—Convention Center**—Four bouts were held as a live preliminary show to the Hearns-Duran closed circuit screening.

Eddie Richardson, 222, Fort Worth, showed a bit more firepower than usual in stopping overmatched Dave Cherry, 207, Dallas, 1:15 of round two. At 6' 5", Richardson certainly has the physical skills to be a top-notcher, but needs to develop a more exciting style if he's to capture the fancy of the patrons.

Coming off of a long layoff, Freddie Guzman, 176, Fort Worth, won over David Gamble, 174, Tulsa, when Gamble was unable to answer the bell for round four.

Gordon Cox, 173, Fort Worth, stopped Arthur Henderson, 167, Dallas, at 2:07 of round two. Henderson was indefinitely suspended by the Texas commission following this loss.

Tony Benson, 142, Dallas, won a four round unanimous decision over James Mitchell, 138½, Meridian, Miss.

Promoter—Century Sports
Matchmaker—Richard Tonn
Attendance—(est.) 900.
Gate: $16,680.00
(06-15-84)

▲**EL PASO—Coliseum**—Tony Perea, 217½, El Paso, won the Texas heavyweight title from defending champion Charles Hostetter, 207, Odessa, via kayo at 38 seconds of the ninth round.

Sammy Huston, 156½, Las Cruces, N.M., stopped Barretas Hernandez, 154½, Tucson, at 1:18 of the first round.

Bryan Davenport, 140, El Paso, kayoed Ricardo Cardenas, also 140, Juarez, at 1:50 of the initial stanza.

Robert Sacco, 181, El Paso, won by four-round unanimous decision over Charlie Moore, 177¼, Tucson.

Promoter—Century Sports
Matchmaker—Ron Weathers
Attendance—(est.) 950
Gate: $17,695.00

This show consisted of live preliminary bouts to the Hearns-Duran closed circuit telecast.
(06-15-84)

▲**HOUSTON—The Summit**—Boxing fans should be on the lookout for a young lightweight prospect from Houston by the name of Ronald Haynes. In the main event of a three bout card held as a preliminary to the Hearns-Duran closed circuit telecast, the lanky Haynes, 134½, punched holes in much more experienced Gary Simons, 135, Houston, en route to a fairly easy win by decision in Ron's first ten rounder. Haynes, who resembles a Black Robin Blake, seems to have the goods to make waves in the lightweight division for some time to come.

Othal (Choo-Choo) Dixon, 141, Houston, TKO'd an out of condition Ted Hatfield, 145, Mt. Juliet, Tenn., at 24 seconds of the fifth round. Hatfield, who normally is considered a lightweight, was a late sub for Mike Salgado of Tulsa.

Raphe Sims, 135, Houston, remained undefeated by capturing an eight round unanimous decision over local trial horse Arturo Munoz, 133, Houston.

Promoter—Houston Boxing Association.
Matchmaker—Tony Gardner—another fine job.
Attendance—(est.) 7,000.
Gate—$105,000.00
(06-15-84)
NOTES—Hearns—Duran telecast.

▲**FORT WORTH—Amon Carter Center**—Rebounding from his first loss as a pro, a one round TKO loss to Lenny Valdez, hometown slugger Steve Cruz, 129½, pounded out a 10 round unanimous decision over Salvador Ugalde, 129¼, Los Angeles, in the main event of promoter Shelly Mann's "Saturday Night At The Fights".

Phil Sawyer, 152, Fort Worth, kayoed Jose Rodriguez, 156, Eagle Pass, at 1:57 of the seventh round.

Charlie Campbell, 156, Fort Worth, won by TKO over veteran

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LATIN AMERICAN RATINGS

(As of July 1, 1984)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Eddie López (Mexico)
2. José Adilson Rodrigues (Brazil)
3. Walter Daniel Falconi (Argentina)
4. Carlos Hernánez (Cuba)
5. José Ribalta (Cuba)
6. Arturo Díaz (Mexico)
7. Bernardo Mercado (Colombia)
8. Juan Figueroa (Argentina)
9. Domingo D'Elía (Argentina)
10. Fernando Montes (Mexico)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Dennis Jackson (Puerto Rico)
2. Héctor Rohr (Argentina)
3. Pablo Ramos (Puerto Rico)
4. Miguel Cea (Chile)
5. Cisco Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
6. Abraham Meneses (Mexico)
7. Ladislao Mijangos (Mexico)
8. Héctor Rubén Zamaro (Argentina)
9. Ramón Ronquillo (Mexico)
10. José Helguera (Argentina)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Oscar Rivadeneyra (Perú)
2. César Romero (Argentina)
3. Juan Carlos Gimenez (Paraguay)
4. Fulgencio Obelmejías (Venezuela)
5. Marcos Geraldo (Mexico)
6. Víctor Robledo (Argentina)
7. Jorge Salgado (Argentina)
8. José María Flores Burlón (Uruguay)
9. Euclides Valdez (Dom. Rep.)
10. Jacinto Fernandez (Argentina)
11. David Cabrera (Mexico)
12. Lorenzo Benitez (Mexico)
13. Carlos Flores Burlón (Uruguay)
14. Juan Carlos Fernández (Argentina)
15. Tomás Polo (Colombia)
16. Clarismundo Silva (Brasil)
17. Sergio González (Uruguay)
18. Antonio Garrido (Chile)
19. Jorge Cambiasso (Argentina)
20. Angel Salinas (Argentina)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Juan Domingo Roldán (Argentina)
2. Néstor Flores (Panama)
3. Roberto Ruiz (Argentina)
4. Carlos Antunes (Brazil)
5. José Duarte (Mexico)
6. Jorge Valentinuzzi (Argentina)
7. Rafael Corona (Mexico)
8. Norberto Sabater (Puerto Rico)
9. Eduardo Contreras (Argentina)
10. Gonzalo Montes (Mexico)
11. Esteban Pizarro (Puerto Rico)
12. Felipe Guzmán (Perú)
13. Andrés Ramirez (Mexico)
14. Angel Caro (Argentina)
15. Mario Pintos (Argentina)
16. Jairo Tovar (Colombia)
17. Manuel Zambrano (Colombia)
18. Antonio Leyva (Mexico)
19. Abel Córdoba (Mexico)
20. José Mireles (Mexico)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Wilfred Benitez (Puerto Rico)
2. Francisco de Jesús (Brazil)
3. Carlos Santos (Puerto Rico)
4. Patricio Díaz (Argentina)
5. Pedro Lavalle (Peru)
6. Jorge Medina (Argentina)
7. Luis Bazán (Argentina)
8. Felipe Carballo (Chile)
9. Ramón Ramos (Argentina)
10. Carlos del Valle Herrera (Argentina)
11. José Betancourt (Puerto Rico)
12. José Santana (Puerto Rico)
13. José Vallejo (Dom. Rep.)
14. Héctor Hernández (Chile)
15. Miguel Sepúlveda (Puerto Rico)
16. Carlos V. Velázquez (Argentina)
17. Luis Primera (Venezuela)
18. Alejandro Garrido (Chile)
19. Miguel Angel García (Chile)
20. Ricardo Carballo (Argentina)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Elio Omar Díaz (Venezuela)
2. Pipino Cuevas (Mexico)
3. Eduardo Rodriguez (Panama)
4. Fernando Castro (Peru)
5. Enrique Sallago (Argentina)
6. Lupe Aquino (Mexico)
7. Pedro Vilella (Puerto Rico)
8. Carlos Prieto (Argentina)
9. Mauricio Bravo (Venezuela)
10. Pablo Baez (Dom. Rep.)
11. Ramón Abledaño (Argentina)
12. Alfredo Lucero (Argentina)
13. Carlos Trujillo (Panama)
14. Hugo Rengifo (Venezuela)
15. Francisco Ortega (Mexico)
16. Jorge Mojica (Puerto Rico)
17. Alfonso Torres (Colombia)
18. Orlando Orozco (Venezuela)
19. José Joaquín Baret (Dom. Rep)
20. Gil Canchola (Mexico)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Lorenzo García (Argentina)
2. Reyes Antonio Cruz (Dom. Rep.)
3. Ubaldo Sacco (Argentina)
4. Hugo Hernández (Argentina)
5. René Arredondo (Mexico)
6. Vilomar Fernández (Dom. Rep.)
7. Félix Reyes (Dom. Rep.)
8. Adolfo Medel (Chile)
9. Juan Rondón (Venezuela)
10. Miguel Montilla (Dom. Rep.)
11. Agustín Caballero (Panama)
12. Carlos Lavalle (Peru)
13. Mauricio Rodriguez (Cuba)
14. Martín Rojas (Colombia)
15. Juan Martín Coggi (Argentina)
16. Adriano Marrero (Dom. Rep.)
17. Iván Montalvo (Puerto Rico)
18. Rubén Verdún (Argentina)
19. Danny Sánchez (Puerto Rico)
20. Aldemar Mosquera Montaño (Colombia)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. José Luis Ramirez (Mexico)
2. Orlando Romero (Peru)
3. Irleis Pérez (Cuba)
4. Julio César Chávez (Mexico)
5. Jorge Alvarado (Panama)
6. Roque Montoya (Mexico)
7. Juan Arroyo (Puerto Rico)
8. Rafael Williams (Panama)
9. Jesús Romero (Argentina)
10. Nelson Bolaños (Ecuador)
11. Saúl Julio (Colombia)
12. Ildemar Paisán (Venezuela)
13. Ricardo Peralta (Mexico)
14. Angel Hernández (Puerto Rico)
15. Vicente Saldivar Mijares (Mexico)
16. Rodolfo González (Mexico)
17. Rudy Alpizar (Costa Rica)
18. Aquilino Asprilla (Panama)
19. Alfredo Chavez (Argentina)
20. José Ramón Cotúa (Venezuela)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Edgar Castro (Venezuela)
2. Alfredo Layne (Panama)
3. Rafael Solís (Puerto Rico)
4. Juan Nazario (Puerto Rico)
5. Mario Miranda (Colombia)
6. Rafael Limón (Mexico)
7. Gerónimo Luquez (Argentina)
8. Roberto Piñeiro (Puerto Rico)
9. Benedicto Villablanca (Chile)
10. Raúl Roque Bianco (Argentina)
11. Pedro Armando Gutierrez (Argentina)
12. José Vidal (Dom. Rep.)
13. Gustavo de la Cruz (Dom. Rep.)
14. Wilson Arias (Colombia)
15. Faustino Barrios (Argentina)
16. Roberto Defooz (Argentina)
17. Efraín Nieves (Puerto Rico)
18. Tomás Rodriguez (Puerto Rico)
19. Carlos Olivera (Argentina)
20. Juan Manriquez Garrido (Chile)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Juan LaPorte (Puerto Rico)
2. Johnny de la Rosa (Dom. Rep.)
3. Marcos Villasana (Mexico)
4. José Caba (Dom. Rep.)
5. Jorge Luján (Panama)
6. Angel Levy Mayor (Venezuela)
7. Oscar Bejinés (Mexico)
8. Eduardo Prieto (Chile)
9. Fernando Sosa (Argentina)
10. Mario Martinez (Mexico)
11. Héctor Cortez (Ecuador)
12. Juvenal Lorca Ordenes (Chile)
13. Ramón Soria (Argentina)
14. Julio Llerenas (Colombia)
15. Carlos Piñango (Venezuela)
16. Osmar Avila (Argentina)
17. José Mario López (Argentina)
18. Francisco Fernández (Panamá)
19. Antonio Esparragoza (Venezuela)
20. Danilo Cabrera (Dom. Rep.)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Felipe Orozco (Colombia)
2. Leo Cruz (Dom. Rep.)
3. Julián Solís (Puerto Rico)
4. Ramón Dominguez (Argentina)
5. Raúl González (Venezuela)
6. Antonio de la Paz (Mexico)
7. Bernardo Checa (Panama)
8. Bernardo Piñango (Venezuela)
9. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
10. Martin Castro (Mexico)
11. Tommy Valoy (Dom. Rep.)
12. Félix Rodriguez (Panama)
13. Eduardo Chavez (Argentina)
14. Sergio Palma (Argentina)
15. Cleo García (Nicaragua)
16. Leonardo Valdez (Mexico)
17. Leo Martinez (Mexico)
18. Sergio Zambrano (Mexico)
19. Benjamín del Valle Sendín (Argentina)
20. Juan Veloz (Mexico)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Jesús Rafael Oronó (Venezuela)
2. Daniel Zaragoza (Mexico)
3. Gilberto Román (México)
4. Edgar Román (Venezuela)
5. Gustavo Ballas (Argentina)
6. Enrique Sánchez (Dom. Rep.)
7. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
8. Cardenio Ulloa (Chile)
9. Milton Torres (Puerto Rico)
10. Hilario Zapata (Panama)
11. Miguel Lora (Colombia)
12. Benito Badilla (Chile)
13. Juan Carlos Cortés (Argentina)
14. Israel Contreras (Venezuela)
15. Daniel Blanco (Colombia)
16. Lucio López (Argentina)
17. José Rufino Narváez (Argentina)
18. Wilfredo Vázquez (Puerto Rico)
19. Celso Chávez (Panama)
20. Julio Soto Solano (Dom. Rep.)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Juan Herrera (Mexico)
2. Lupe Madera (Mexico)
3. Germán Torres (Mexico)
4. Eleoncio Mercedes (Dom. Rep.)
5. Francisco Montiel (Mexico)
6. Cándido Tellez (Mexico)
7. Prudencio Cardona (Colombia)
8. Sugar Baby Rojas (Colombia)
9. Isidro Pérez (Mexico)
10. Rámon Horacio Albers (Argentina)
11. Adrián Román (Argentina)
12. Luis Fernando Hernández (Mexico)
13. Freddie Castillo (Mexico)
14. Ramón Antonio Nery (Dom. Rep.)
15. Eusebio Espinal (Dom. Rep.)
16. Mario Demarco (Argentina)
17. Mario González (Mexico)
18. Roberto Ramirez (Mexico)
19. José de Jesús (Puerto Rico)
20. Alberto Castro (Colombia)

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ARGENTINA

▲**POSADAS**—After one year of inactivity, junior welterweight Rubén Verdún returned to action and outclassed Luis Zárate, 10. (04-05-84)

▲**PARANA**—Prospect Ramón (Potro) Ramos halted Marcelo Ruíz Díaz in the first round, junior middleweights. (04-06-84)

▲**FORMOSA**—Jesús Romero outpointed Joaquín Moreyra, 10, lightweights. (04-06-84)

▲**COMODORO RIVADAVIA**—Veteran Eduardo Contreras outpointed Angel Caro, 10, middleweights. (04-13-84)

▲**GENERAL PICO**—In a great boxing festival, junior welterweight Antonio Hugo Vicente outpointed Sergio Brites, ten.

Ricardo Castro surprised everybody when he outclassed Alfredo Chavez, 10, lightweights.

Alberto Vico halted Juan Zúñiga in the second, lightweights.

Highly rated featherweight Osmar Avila outpointed Armando Romero, 10. (04-14-84)

▲**CHAJARI**—Jacinto Fernández stopped Uruguayan Sergio González in five, light heavyweights. (04-27-84)

▲**GUALEGUAYCHU**—Ramón (Potro) Ramos became the new junior middleweight champion of the state of Entre Ríos by outpointing Pablo Ferreyra, 12. (05-05-84)

▲**USHUAIA—Club Hispano Americano**—Jesús Romero, who is appointed to fight for the Argentine lightweight crown vacated by Lorenzo García, outclassed Luis Zárate, 10. (05-05-84)

▲**SAN PEDRO—Club Paraná**—Lorenzo García halted Carlos Fallone in eight, junior welterweights. (05-11-84)

▲**OLAVARRIA**—Ramón Collado outpointed Rómulo Ibarra, 10, junior welterweights. (05-11-84)

▲**MENDOZA**—José Mario López halted Julio Juárez in the first round, featherweights. (05-11-84)

▲**CONCORDIA**—Flyweight Ramón Albers knocked out Luis Vilches in the second. (05-11-84)

▲**SAN RAFAEL**—Ricardo Espinosa halted Anibal Sosa in the fifth, junior welterweights. (05-11-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—Argentine and South American featherweight champion Fernando Sosa outpointed junior lightweight Pedro Armando Gutiérrez via a split decision to avenge a previous loss. (05-12-84)

▲**VENADO TUERTO**—Young middleweight Darío Mattioli, managed by former world champion Carlos Monzón, drew with Juan Alfredo Ripani, eight. (05-17-84)

▲**BAHIA BLANCA**—Welterweight Ramón Abeldaño outpointed Chilean junior middleweight Miguel Angel García, 10. (05-17-84)

▲**RIO CUARTO**—Local Raúl Roque Bianco became the new Argentina junior lightweight champion by outpointing Carlos (Gato) Olivera, 12, by split decision. Two judges had it 118-117, Bianco and the other 118-117, Olivera.

Miguel Lequín outpointed Miguel Angel Canedo, 10, junior lightweights.

Luis Torelli outclassed Daniel Murúa, ten, junior lightweights. (05-18-84)

▲**BOLIVAR**—The match between junior featherweights Raúl (Nico) Pérez and Adolfo Felice was stopped in the fifth round when the latter suffered an accidental injury. The judges decreed a draw. (05-18-84)

▲**COMODORO RIVADAVIA**—Veteran middleweight Eduardo Contreras continued his winning series by outpointing Miguel Maldonado, 10. (05-18-84)

▲**RIO TERCERO**—Carlos Laciar, the state of Córdoba junior featherweight champion and young brother of world champion Santos, outpointed Armando Romero, 10. (05-18-84)

▲**DAIREAUX**—Junior lightweight Alberto Aragón outpointed Hugo Fernández, 10. (05-18-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—Junior welter Hugo (Pajarito) Hernández returned to action after seven months of inactivity due to a surgical operation on his right hand. Hugo is called "Pajarito" (little bird) because he began to fight when he was a small child of eleven years old, but, when Hugo hits, he is very much more than a bird. Adolfo Arce Rossi, a classic and fine fighter, could confirm it. The match began quietly, but after two rounds even, a hard punch connected by Pajarito in the third, exploded in the face of Arce Rossi and produced a nosebleed that obliged the doctor to stop the bout. Pajarito upped his record of 29 fights to 27-0-1 (20 KOs) and one no contest. Arce Rossi's record fell to 26-6-1 (10 KOs). (05-19-84)

▲**EDUARDO CASTEX**—Hugo Marinángelis halted Marcelo Ruíz Díaz in two, junior middleweights. (05-19-84)

▲**CAÑADA DE GOMEZ**—Ramón Soria outpointed Luis Francisco Rodriguez, 10, feathers. (05-23-84)

▲**MENDOZA**—Carlos V. Velázquez outclassed Luis Sosa, 10, junior middleweights. (05-24-84)

▲**RUFINO**—Welterweight Carlos Prieto outpointed Panamanian Jorge Pino, 10.

(05-25-84)

▲**TUCUMAN**—Carlos Ibarra outclassed José Ayala, 10, junior lightweights.
(05-25-84)

▲**TRELEW**—Light heavyweight Juan Carlos Fernández stopped José Bachillieri in the fifth.

Junior middleweight Mario Matthysse halted Héctor Vivas in five.
(05-26-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—Two of the best Argentine prospects made a successful presentation in Buenos Aires. Hard hitter Lucio López, bantamweight who in his previous bout halted South American champion José Rufino Narváez, knocked out Jaime Loyola in eight.

Junior middleweight Ramón (Potro) Ramos halted Carlos Martinez in the sixth.
(05-26-84)

▲**GENERAL PICO**—Alberto Vico outpointed Luis Zárate, 10, lightweights.
(05-26-84)

▲**ESQUEL**—Welterweight Antonio René Juárez outpointed Juan Barboza, 10.
(05-26-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES**—Ramón Soria resigned his Argentine bantamweight crown because he decided to continue fighting as a featherweight.
(05-28-84)

▲**SALTA**—Local, Alfredo Chávez, with a good boxing style, outpointed Luis Abel Musa in 12 rounds and got the right to face Jesús Romero for the vacant Argentine lightweight title (abandoned by Lorenzo García).

The higher stamina of Musa in the second part of the bout was not sufficient to reverse the advantage obtained by Chávez in the first six rounds. The decision was split: 117-115 and 118-116 Chávez, 119-117 Musa.
(06-01-84)

▲**CORDOBA—Asociación Española**—Orlando Lucero, featherweight champion of the state of Córdoba, outpointed René (Torito) Plaza, 10.
(06-01-84)

▲**PARANA**—Rising middleweight Mario Pintos outpointed Carlos Bazán, 10.

Local Vicente Silva outclassed experienced Osmar Ochoa, 10, junior middleweights.
(06-01-84)

▲**CONCORDIA**—Roberto Yoni and Rómulo Ibarra drew, 10, welterweights.
(06-01-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—Fernando Sosa drew with Osmar Avila, 12, and retained his Argentine featherweight title. It was a disputed decision, both fighters showing a high level of technical skill. Two judges saw it a draw, 118-118 and 116-116, while the third carded 118-117, Avila. *The Ring* had it 116-114, Sosa.

Mario Fernández outpointed Alberto Cejas, eight, lightweights.
(06-02-84)

▲**SALTA—Club Salta**—Antonio Hugo Vicente drew with Panamanian Jorge Pino, 10, junior welterweights.
(06-08-84)

▲**CONCORDIA**—Horacio Albers, in an upset, outpointed Argentine flyweight champion Adrián Román, 10. The scores were 100-99, 99-98, and 98-98.
(06-08-84)

▲**MAR DEL PLATA—Super Domo Stadium**—Junior middleweight Ricardo Carballo halted Juan Carlos (Rocky) Valdez in the seventh.
(06-08-84)

▲**PARANA—Club Echag□ue**—Junior middleweight champion of the state of Entre Ríos Ramón (Potro) Ramos stopped Luis Angel Suárez in four.
(06-08-84)

▲**MENDOZA**—Ricado Gil drew with Adolfo Felice, 10, junior featherweights.
(06-08-84)

▲**MARIA**—Luis Héctor Díaz won the Cordoba State lightweight title by outpointing José Ignacio Funes, 12.
(06-08-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—In a spectacular bout, Cesar (la Bestia) Romero outpointed Paraguayan and South American champion Juan Carlos Gimenez, 10. Romero is rated sixth by the WBC. Referee Guzman took one point away from Gimenez from hitting after the bell ending the eighth round. The judges carded 97-96, 98-96, and 98-96. Romero upped his record to 15-3-3 with 14 kayoes. Gimenez fell to 11-1-1.
(06-09-84)

▲**RIO GALLEGOS—Club Hispano Americano**—Argentine and South American junior flyweight champion Mario Demarco outpointed former Argentine champion Héctor Patri, 10, split decision.
(06-09-84)

▲**COMODORO RIVADAVIA**—Enrique Sallago retained his Argentine welterweight title by outpointing South American champion Alfredo Lucero, 12. The scores were 118-117, 118-117, and 117-117.
(06-09-84)

▲**SAN LUIS—Estadio Pable Zorrilla**—Mario Vizcaya drew with Victoriano García, 10, lightweights.
(06-09-84)

▲**NUEVE DE JULIO**—Roberto (Rocky) Defooz outpointed Hugo Fernández, 10, junior lightweights. The three judges assigned a wide margin of points to Rocky: 100-93, 100-93 and 100-95.
(06-15-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium**—Ramón Abeldaño TKO'd Hugo (Patoruzú) Luero in eight, welters. Luero was decked in the third.
(06-16-84)

▲**SALTA**—Benjamin del Valle Sendin outpointed Antonio Ross, 10, junior featherweights.
(06-22-84)

▲**RIO CUARTO—Club Argentino**—Victor Robledo became the new Argentine light heavyweight champion with a split decision over Jorge (Violín) Salgado, 12. Two judges had Robledo ahead, 117-116 and 118-115, while the third one had a draw, 117-117.

Miguel Lequin outpointed José Flores, 10, junior lightweights.
(06-22-84)

▲**MENDOZA**—Hugo (Pajarito) Hernández halted experienced Rómulo Barrera in seven, junior welterweights.
(06-22-84)

▲**BOLIVAR**—Alberto Aragón drew with Luis Rodriguez, 10, junior lightweights.
(06-22-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—All-Boys Club**—Unbeaten junior welterweight Juan Martín (Látigo) Coggi TKO'd Ricardo (Bolita) Espinosa at the beginning of the second round. Coggi upped his record to 18-0 with 10 kayoes. Espinosa fell to 15-11-4.
(06-23-84)

▲**SALTA—Salta Club**—State of Salta welterweight champion Miguel Angel Arroyo halted José Luis Ludueña in six.
(06-29-84)

▲**BUENOS AIRES—All-Boys Club**—Unbeaten bantamweight Lucio López outclassed former Argentine and South American champion César Villarruel, 10, via a split decision. Two judges had it 99-98 and 97-96 López, while the third one had a draw, 96-96. López upped his record to 9-0 with 6 kayoes. Villarruel fell to 29-17-7.
(06-30-84)

▲**POSADAS—Jorge G. Brown Club**—State of Misiones junior welterweight champion Rubén Verdún outpointed Panamanian Jorge Pino, 10.
(06-30-84)

BRAZIL

▲**JACAREI—Gimnasio Municipal**—Francisco (Chiquinho) de Jesús outpointed Argentine and Latin American champion Patricio Díaz, 12, and retained his South American junior middleweight champion. The decision was unanimous: 120-113, 120-113 and 119-115.
(06-16-84)

▲**SAO PAULO**—Brazilian middleweight champion Carlos Antunes halted Chilean Víctor Nilo in six.
(04-29-84)

CHILE

▲**SANTIAGO**—Junior welterweight Fernando Mena stopped Jaime González in the first.
(05-04-84)

COLOMBIA

▲**BARRANQUILLA**—Former world flyweight champion Prudencio Cardona halted Rafael Rivas in the third.

Another former world champion, junior featherweight Ricardo Cardona, outpointed Mario Wilson Pérez, 10.

Rodolfo Blanco outclassed Panamanian Leonardo Paredes, 10, flyweights.
(05-11-84)

PERU

▲**TRUJILLO**—Latin American welterweight champion Fernando (Rocco) Castro halted Argentine Juan Segundo García in the sixth.
(06-30-84)

▲**LIMA**—Freddy Chumpitaz retained his Latin American featherweight title by outclassing Chilean Reynaldo Rosales, 12. Jimenez abandoned the fight without being really hurt. In his bout with Rosales, Chumpitaz recovered some credit of his countrymates by making a suitable performance, in spite of the mediocrity of his opponent. Now he should defend the crown with any of the rated Latin American fighters.

Argentine Gerónimo Luquez knocked out courageous Chilean Benedicto Villablanca in seven, junior lightweights. The southpaw Luquez is not a world class fighter but is always a difficult opponent due to his aggressive style.
(05-19-84)

VENEZUELA

▲**CARACAS**—Jesús (Maravilla) Flores outpointed Colombian José (Pambelito) Cervantes, 10, junior featherweights.
(05-07-84)

▲**CARACAS**—Orlando Orozco outpointed Dominican Pablo Manón, 10, junior welterweights.

Colombian Miguel Mosquera halted Antonio Guerra in the fifth, welterweights.
(05-14-84)

▲**MARACAIBO**—Venezuela-based Dominican Francisco Quiroz, in a great upset, won the WBA version of the junior flyweight crown by halting Mexican Guadalupe (Lupe) Madera in the ninth round.

The favored Madera sent Quiroz to the canvas in the third round and dominated the bout up to the seventh on the basis of greater speed, good footwork, and a very strong left hand.

But the 24-year-old Quiroz revived in the eighth and hit the Mexican repeatedly, using his right hand to take away the speed of Madera, 31.

Quiroz finally knocked out the defending champion with a strong right punch to the chin.

The tall and thin Quiroz upped his record to 10-8-1 with 15 kayoes. Madera fell to 39-8-3.

Quiroz weighed 108 and Madera 107½.

Former world challenger Reinaldo Becerra, who was outpointed by Quiroz, halted Mexican Eduardo (Lalo) Acosta in eight, junior flyweights.
(05-19-84)

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▲**BRUSTEM-SINT-TRUIDEN**—Veterans Maurice Bufi and Fred Coranson drew, eight rounds, light middleweights.

In the same division, prospect Romain Mianzuela outpointed Aldo Curti, eight. The 22-year-old Mianzuela now has 18 wins and two draws.

Welterweights Gino de Graeve and Jurgen Broszeit drew, six.
(04-13-84)

▲**SAINT-GILLES**—Yves Monsieur outpointed Luigi Ricci in a light-heavyweight six.
(04-13-84)

▲**LAUWE**—Lights Nourredine Haidar and Antonio Secci drew, eight.
(04-14-84)

▲**LA LOUVIERE**—Welterweight Diego Martines was lucky to decision Alain Coguez, six.
(04-27-84)

HOLLAND

▲**AMSTERDAM**—Alex Blanchard out-boxed and finally outpunched Richard Caramanolis to end the Frenchman's reign as champion of Europe and halt his unbeaten run. The 29-year-old southpaw from Surinam was too slick for the French champion, and floored him once in the second and twice in the sixth and last round before the referee stepped in to save Caramanolis.

Blanchard had failed in a previous title attempt in November 1982 when he was stopped by Rudi Koopmans, but has won his other 25 bouts, stopping 22 opponents. The 26-year-old Caramanolis had won 26 in a row and this was the first defense of the title he won by beating Koopmans in April.
(05-28-84)

FRANCE

▲**FONTENAY**—Lightwelters: R. Hamdouche and Lifetu Basila drew six.
(02-04-84)

▲**BOULOGNE**—Lights: Ray Gitleman and Alaiun Le Fol drew, eight.
(02-04-84)

▲**GAILLARD**—Lightwelters: Serge Boymond outpointed Gilles Blandin, six.
(02-11-84)

▲**HYERES**—Lightweight competition: K. Rabba stopped M. Meddah in five and Jose Maillot decisioned Jean Louis Courtail, six.
(02-17-84)

▲**ST ETIENNE**—Middles: A. Khaldi decisioned M. Abizer, six.
(02-17-84)

▲**ST BRIEUC**—Light-welters: Michel Martin outpointed M. Baradaran, six.
(02-18-84)

▲**NEVERS**—Light-middles: A. Matoubella outpointed B. Kaidouri, six.
(02-18-84)

▲**GUISE**—Lights: Gilles Beaurain decisioned Pat Drelon, six.
(02-18-84)

▲**WATTRELOS**—Middles: Klayina Awouitoh kayoed Chris Henouil, five.

Lightwelters: Erik Ceriac stopped G. Deltonne, three.
(02-25-84)

▲**MULHOUSE**—Light-middles: Jean-Marie Touatti and Giovanni Chirra drew, eight.
(03-03-84)

▲**HYERES**—Lights: R. Forniers decisioned A. Ricci, eight.
(03-09-84)

▲**ST MALO**—Light-welters: Yannick Blandin outpointed N. Dahmani, eight.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lucien Rodriguez (France)
1. Frank Bruno (England)
2. Stefan Tangstad (Norway)
3. Sylvain Natbled (France)
4. Angelo Rottoli (Italy)
5. Alfredo Evangelista (Spain)
6. David Pearce (Wales)
7. Funso Banjo (England)
8. Daniel Laghi (Italy)
9. Guido Trane (Italy)
10. Rainer Hartmann (Germany)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Alex Blanchard (Holland)
1. Jean-Marie Emebe (France)
2. Richard Caramanolis (France)
3. Manfred Jassman (Germany)
4. Rufino Angulo (France)
5. Walter Cevoli (Italy)
6. Dennis Andries (England)
7. Slobodan Kacar (Yugoslavia)
8. Tom Collins (England)
9. Devon Bailey (England)
10. Gennaro Mauriello (Italy)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Sibson (England)
1. Mark Kaylor (England)
2. Louis Acaires (France)
3. Herol Graham (England)
4. Stephane Ferrara (France)
5. Aldo Buzzetti (Italy)
6. Frank Winterstein (France)
7. Errol Christie (England)
8. Roy Gumbs (England)
9. Jimmy Price (England)
10. Tarmo Uusivirta (Finland)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Jimmy Cable (England)
1. Luigi Minchillo (Italy)
2. Said Skouma (France)
3. Prince Rodney (England)
4. Germain Le Maitre (France)
5. Nick Wilshire (England)
6. Ernesto Ros (Italy)
7. Brian Anderson (England)
8. Chris Pyatt (England)
9. Cliff Gilpin (England)
10. Erwin Heiber (Germany)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Colin Jones (Wales)
2. Nino La Rocca (Italy)
3. Gianfranco Rosi (Italy)
4. Lloyd Honeyghan (England)
5. Gilles Elbilia (France)
6. Ace Rusevski (Yugoslavia)
7. Jean-Marie Touatti (France)
8. Brahim Messaoudi (France)
9. Kostas Petrou (England)
10. Sylvester Mittee (England)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Patrizio Oliva (Italy)
1. Clinton McKenzie (England)
2. Giovanni Gimenez (Italy)
3. Michel Giroud (Switzerland)
4. Terry Marsh (England)
5. Ramon Gomez Fouz (Spain)
6. Giuseppe Martinese (Italy)
7. Bruno Simili (Italy)
8. Antonio Guinaldo (Spain)
9. Winston Spencer (England)
10. Mohammed Lazmany (France)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Rene Weller (Germany)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (England)
2. George Feeney (England)
3. Lucio Cusma (Italy)
4. Ray Cattouse (England)
5. Tony Willis (England)
6. Sebastiano Sotgia (Italy)
7. Gert Bo Jacobsen (Denmark)
8. Frederic Geoffroy (France)
9. Jose A Garcia (Spain)
10. Ian McLeod (Scotland)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Jean Marc Renard (Belgium)
1. Alfredo Raininger (Italy)
2. Pat Cowdell (England)
3. Roberto Castanon (Spain)
4. Michel Siracusa (France)
5. Victor Jorge (Spain)
6. Daniel Londas (France)
7. Carlos Hernandez (Spain)
8. Marco Gallo (Italy)
9. Alessandro Nardi (Italy)
10. Carlos Rodriguez (Spain)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Barry McGuigan (Ireland)
1. Loris Stecca (Italy)
2. Salvatore Melluzzo (Italy)
3. Valerio Nati (Italy)
4. Giuseppe La Vite (Italy)
5. Salvatore Bottiglieri (Italy)
6. Sepp Iten (Switzerland)
7. Esteban Eguia (Spain)
8. Clyde Ruan (England)
9. Philippe Martin (France)
10. Jose Luis Vicho (Spain)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Walter Giorgetti (Italy)
1. Giuseppe Fossati (Italy)
2. John Feeney (England)
3. Keith Wallace (England)
4. Ciro De Leva (Italy)
5. Paolo Castrovilli (Italy)
6. Davy Larmour (Ireland)
7. Kamel Djadda (France)
8. Alain Limarol (France)
9. Ray Gilbody (England)
10. John Farrell (England)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Antoine Montero (France)
1. Charlie Magri (England)
2. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
3. Hugh Russell (Ireland)
4. Giampiero Pinna (Italy)
5. Kelvin Smart (Wales)
6. Duke McKenzie (England)
7. Giovanni Camputaro (Italy)
8. Mariano Garcia (Spain)
9. Enrique Rodriguez (Spain)
10. Umberto Mori (Italy)

Gilles Blandin outpointed C. Touatti, six.
(03-10-84)

▲BORDEAUX—Middles: J. Narcam outpointed M. Bourhaoui six.
Lights: Alain Simoes kayoed Jean Louis Courtail in one.
(03-10-84)

▲AUCH—Lights: Jose Maillot halted veteran Laurent Grimbert in round four.
(03-16-84)

▲ANICHE—Lights: Norbert Alcade stopped Patrick Van Gaver in four.
(03-17-84)

▲COMPIEGNE—Antoine Secci and Yannick Blandin, drew in a light welterweight eight.
Featherweight Farid Benredjeb beat Ray Gitleman on points six.
(03-24-84)

▲GUISE—Lights: Gilles Beaurain decisioned Norbert Alcade, six.
(03-24-84)

▲CENON—Lights: Alain Simoes kayoed Michel Martin in three.
(04-13-84)

▲ANTIBES—Andre Mongelema kayoed the former European middleweight champion Matteo Salvemini, in round four.
Flyweight fireball Alain Limarol outpointed Umberto Morri, eight.
Jean Baptiste Mendy won the battle of light-welterweight prospects by outpointing Tony Vivarelli, six.
Welterweight Djalli Rahou halted Lifetu Basila in the first round.
Thierry Giudice outpointed Abdou Ba in a junior-lightweight six.
(04-13-84)

▲VOIRON—Philippe Martin retained his French featherweight title by outpointing Hassen Mebarki over 12 rounds. The 25-year-old champion has a 13-3-2 record and gained revenge for an earlier loss to Mebarki. The challenger lost for the first time in 14 fights.
Light-heavyweight Hocine Tafer raised his record to 31-3-1 by halting Patrick Ouloumba in four.
Lightweight Francisco Rodriguez outpointed Robert Forneris, six.
(04-14-84)

▲EPERNAY—Daniel Londas warmed up for his shot at the European lightweight title by outpointing Amalio Galan, eight. Londas has a 27-3 record.
(04-14-84)

▲PARIS—The local judges gifted Rufino Angulo with a revenge decision over Mwehu Beya in a light heavyweight eight.
Pierre Joly outpointed Spanish middleweight Andoni Amana, eight.
Light welterweights Tony Vivarelli and Julien Segly drew, six.
Moussa Sangare outpointed Thierry Chiche in a lightweight six.
The local judges were also kind to Stephane Ferrara, giving him a draw with Irwin Hines in a middleweight 10. Hines looked to have had the edge.
(04-19-84)

▲AIX-EN-PROVENCE—In a major upset, the 27-year-old southpaw Jean-Marie Touatti forced the previously unbeaten Brahim Messaoudi to retire in the 11th round, winning the French welterweight title.
The Tunisian heavyweight Taoufik Balbouli stopped Marco Vitaglione in the third round for his ninth win.
Yvon Segor outpointed Rosario Pacileo in a light-middleweight eight.
Nourredine Hamdani outpointed featherweight Josia da Sylva in six.
(04-19-84)

▲PESSAC—The hard punching lightweight Alain Simoes forced Abdou Ba to retire in round three.
(04-27-84)

▲MELUN—French lightweight champion Frederic Geoffroy remained unbeaten with a points win over Isidoro Cabeza, eight.
(04-30-84)

▲TOULON—Welterweight Marc Ruocco halted Djibril Bathily in four rounds for his eleventh stoppage in a row. Marc now has a 14-0-1 record.
(05-04-84)

▲TOULOUSE—Britain's Jimmy Cable won the vacant European light middleweight title in a dramatic battle against Said Skouma. The reed-thin Englishman had been on the floor three times and only the intervention of a standing eight count saved him from a kayo defeat in the tenth round.
Skouma punched himself out trying to finish Cable in this action packed round when he was nailed with a desperation right-left combination. Skouma beat the count and rallied briefly at the start of the 11th, but then wilted under Cable's attacks. Skouma was forced to take a standing count, and was then floored. When he staggered to his feet, his corner threw in the towel. Skouma was way ahead at the finish. He had floored Cable in the fourth, and twice in the ninth, but was out-gamed by the Britisher.
It was a magnificent comeback for Cable who had been knocked out in one round by Buster Drayton in his last fight.
Two other British fighters lost their bouts on the bill. Doug James was outpointed by French middleweight Pierre Joly.
Trevor Cattouse was stopped on a cut in the third round of his light heavyweight bout with Rufino Angulo.
(05-25-84)

ITALY

▲RIVA DEL GARDA—Roberto Manoni outpointed Hamani in a middleweight six.
(03-03-84)

▲FOGGIA—Light-middles: Aldo Gesualdo outpointed Piero Spadaccini, six.
Lights: Luigi Marini and Wa Mbaya drew in a light-middleweight eight.
Light-welterweight Alessandro Scapecchi beat Muuwadiambu on a first round retirement.
(03-16-84)

▲PIETRAGALLA—Light welterweights Giovanni Cannizzo and Giuseppe Capezzera drew, six.
(03-18-84)

▲SESTRI LEVANTE—Middles: Antonio Tassisto outpointed Kalongfo Bolemi, six.
Lights: Luca de Lorenzi kayoed Lev Umba-Sengi in three.
(03-24-84)

▲BERGAMO—Angelo Rottoli held on to his Italian heavyweight title with a majority verdict after 12 hard rounds against Guido Trane. Two officials voted for Rottoli with scores of 117-116 and 115-114 and the third saw it even at 117-117 each.
In another heavyweight bout, Cesare Di Benedetto stopped Jian Kalombo of Zaire in the third round for his seventh win.
Middleweight Marco Rinaldo halted Mauro Da Cruz of Brazil in the fourth round.
Mario Bitetto outpointed Nessim Zebellini in a bantamweight six.
(03-30-84)

▲SPOLETO—The Italian welterweight champion Gianfranco Rosi kayoed John McClean of New York in round seven, and improved his record to 29-1.
Heavyweight Sandro Ronci outpointed Cavasin, six.
(03-31-84)

▲VIAREGGIO—Middleweight hope Edmondo Buttiglione outpointed Butanzi Nzolameso, eight, and now has a 12-0 record.
Munungo Lomani outpointed Giuseppe Mercuri in a welterweight six.
(04-06-84)

▲ROME—Aristide Pizzo stopped Fabio Tavarnelli in round three of their junior lightweight bout.
Light-middles: Ennio D'Ercole decisioned Majele Mabele, six.
Light-welters: Carlo Medici outpointed Rosario Casastelli, six.
(04-06-84)

▲CASAVATORE—The scoring in the European junior lightweight title fight between Alfredo Raininger and Jean Marc Renard saw the Belgian challenger a unanimous winner. The officials gave it to Renard with scores of 117-113, 116-114 and 116-115.
In supporting bouts, Michel Di Luise outpointed Serge Meyer in a light-middleweight six.
Light heavyweight Pasquale Rippa outpointed Cavasin, six.
(04-12-84)

▲MILAN—Franco Cherchi retained his Italian flyweight title for the second time when he stopped Giampiero Pinna on a bad cut in round four. The 26-year-old champion has an 18-0 record.
WBA junior featherweight Loris Stecca had no trouble in halting Puerto Rican Victor Bultron in five rounds.
The excellent Tunisian junior-lightweight prospect Bou Ali Kamel beat Hector Cortez of Ecuador, who was disqualified in the 10th round.
Featherweight Valerio Nati had no trouble in halting Vicente Fernandez of Spain in two rounds. Argentinian light heavyweight Omar Kader stopped Sandro Ronci in two.
(04-13-84)

▲PESARO—Sumbu Kalambay was given a good argument by Muleman Alexander but won the decision after eight rounds to raise his record to 29-1-1.
Feathers: Carlo Quintano beat Andrea Ricci who was disqualified in round three.
Middles: Calongo Bolemi and Antonio Tassisto drew, six.
Light-middles: Nazario Mariotti outpointed Piero Spadaccini, six.
(04-13-84)

▲TREVISO—Walter Giorgetti retained his European bantamweight title by stopping Kamel Djadda of France in the fifth round.
The 1980 Olympic gold medal winner Slobodan Kacar halted Paul Mujodi in round three of their light heavyweight bout.
Lightweight Sebastiano Sotgia outpointed Sammy Meck, eight.
Light welterweight Rosario Casartelli halted Sali in round four.
In a big upset Peter Mulindwa Kozza floored the Argentinian heavyweight hope Daniel Falconi three times for a technical knockout in the fourth round. Falconi had won 12 in a row, and had previously knocked Mulindwa out in three rounds. Mulindwa had won only three of his 11 bouts.
(04-18-84)

▲LA TOUR DE TERME—Light welterweight Michel Giroud outpointed Luigi Curcetti, 10. Giroud now has a 24-3 score.
(04-09-84)

YUGOSLAVIA

▲TITOGRAD—A crowd of 3000 saw Miograd Perunovic outpoint the American middleweight Larry Rayford, eight. Rayford had Willie Pastrano in his corner.
In another middleweight bout, Zyle Borota outpointed Dominique Delorme, six.
Featherweight Jean Baptiste Mendy kayoed Dzavid

Mahmutovic in the eighth.

Ljubisa Jovanovic outpointed Dijbril Diallo in a lightweight six.

(03-25-84) ERIC ARMIT

GERMANY

▲STUTTGART—S.I. Hotel—Reiner Hartmann, 212, retained his German heavyweight crown by stopping Claus Parge, 210½, who failed to come out for round five.

German middleweight champion George Steinherr, 155, outpointed Wa Lomani Wa, 145½, Zaire, eight.

German welterweight champion Tony Habermayer, 145½, outpointed the Benelux champion Frankie Decaestecker, 148, Belgium, eight.

Eddy Vandenhouwele, 161, Belgium, TKO'd Darko Cellinger, Yugoslavia.

German-based Spaniard Jose Verela, undefeated in 13 bouts, knocked out fellow countryman Jose Ribeiro in round two with a left hook. Verela broke his hand in doing so.

Southpaw Harry Theodoss, 139¼, TKO'd Theo Hauser, in five.

German-based Ugandan Johnny Rubin, 129½, TKO'd Rafael Blanko, 128¾, Spain, in two.

(05-11-84)

▲DUSSELDORF—Philips Hall—German Rene Weller retained his European lightweight title by outpointing French challenger Daniel Londas, 12. The verdict, although a little too close for comfort, could not be questioned, but the champion's miserable performance was not appreciated by the crowd of over 4,000, who had paid up to DM 300 ($110) a seat.

Jeff Lampkin, 177, Youngstown, Ohio, and Chisanda Mutti, 176½, drew, 10.

Johnny Rubin, 129, clearly outpointed Charm Chiteule, 128½, Zambia, six, in a major upset. Chiteule has lost only six of 31 starts.

Thomas Clahsen, 217, outpointed Damien Marignan, 218, France, four.

German light heavyweight champion Manfred Jassmann, halted Ibelo Moano, 177½, Zaire, in four.

Louis Pergaud Ngatchou, 187½, Cameroons, now based in Germany, outpointed Pierre Kabassu, 179¾, Luxembourg, eight.

Andreas Prox, 156¾, knocked out fellow German Uwe Karches, 163¼, in two.

Promoter—Detlef Pabst.

Attendance—4,000.

(05-26-84)

▲BAUNATAL—German light heavyweight champion Manfred Jassmann, 177¾, TKO'd Mika Popovic, 187¼, Yogoslavia, six, via a cut eyebrow. Egmont Bibow, referee.

Horst Lang, 185¾, knocked out fellow German Peter Bieber, 226, in the third round. Horst Philipp, referee.

Commonwealth champion Johnny Sichula, 135, Zambia, TKO'd Hadair Nouredine, 132, Morrocco, now based in Belgium, in three.

Agamil Yilderim, 175, Turkey, now based in Germany, TKO'd ex- American soldier Mike McCoy, 176, in four.

German Ralf Rocchigiani, 179¼, outpointed Mladen Grubisic, 176½, Yugoslavia, six.

Southpaw, Jose Varela, undefeated in 16 bouts, TKO'd Lanchen Hamdy, Algiers, in three.

(06-06-84)

▲MUNICH—German welterweight champion Toni Habermayer, outpointed Louis Ribeiro, Spain, eight. Habermayer now hopes for a shot at the vacant European crown.

Sinisa Popovic, Yugoslavia, outpointed German Wolfgang Lechner, six.

Commonwealth champion Johnny Sichula TKO'd Antonio Franco, Brazil, in three.

Harry Theodoss, TKO'd fellow German Ralf Dietzel, making his professional debut, in three.

Ralf Rocchigiani, Germany, TKO'd Brahim Ferisovic, Yugoslavia, in three.

German Thomas Classen outpointed Austrian heavyweight champion Helmut Owessle, four.

(06-22-84)

JACK A. TREE

UNITED KINGDOM

▲WEMBLEY—Arena—James (Bonecrusher) Smith, 29-year-old heavyweight from Magnolia, California, 227, halted the 21-fight winning run of British prospect Frank Bruno, 222½, in dramatic fashion. With just 74 seconds of the 10th and final round left, and reportedly having won seven of the previous nine, Bruno failed to withstand a last-ditch onslaught by Smith, Bruno was backed against the ropes, his arms dropped to his sides, and Smith rained in punch after punch until he went down and was counted out.

So, the fight which was supposed to show American viewers on NBC-TV just how good a contender Bruno was ended in disaster. Always the complete sportsman, Bruno had no excuses to offer, but perhaps he could take heart in the fact that this was Joe Louis' birthday, and that Joe once suffered a similar defeat at the hands of Max Schmeling, yet came back to beat Schmeling and win the world title.

Bruno had been in control without really showing the snap that had won him all his previous fights by the quick route. He jabbed accurately, possessed superior skills, but found that his best punches were having no effect. This must have given him some food for thought.

There was a swelling by Smith's right eye in round six, and this spurred him on to greater efforts, probably taking round seven and round eight. Yet there was no sign of anything untoward happening. Bruno seemed to take over again in round nine, and, with just one round to go, it seemed obvious that Bruno would have to settle for a points win. But "obvious" is a word that often doesn't apply to the fight game.

In the 10th, Smith knew he had to stop his man to win, and tried to do just that. It may not have been that Bruno relaxed, it may have been that he was just a little weary. Whatever it was, he failed to stop a left hook and that was the start of a two-handed assault by Smith that culminated in the knockout.

A severe set-back for Bruno, but he is young enough to come back, and the obvious choice would be Smith in a return contest.

Before this contest, there had been another American victory over a Britisher. Buster Drayton, 155½, conceded nearly half a stone and stopped British Commonwealth and middleweight champion Mark Kaylor, 162, the referee intervening in round seven after Kaylor had been down once in round three and five times in round seven.

Kaylor seemed unwise not to take a longer rest after each knockdown, his manager pleading with him to do so. At times, Drayton switched from orthodox to southpaw and back, and showed both power of punch and an adequate defence when necessary.

In his first fight in Britain, Drayton beat Jimmy Cable in one round. Cable is British light middleweight champ, so, in two fights, the American has disposed of two British champions.

The final right hand put Kaylor down, and the referee stopped the fight without taking up the count.

A big set-back for Bruno, a big set-back for Kaylor, and a double set-back for their manager, Terry Lawless, whose immediate thought was to announce his retirement. But a phone call from Bruno the following morning put all such thoughts out of his head. Frank said he wanted to continue, and will be trying twice as hard. So, the partnership will carry on, and it might be a good idea for Frank to concentrate on winning the British and European titles, culminating in a shot at Trevor Berbick's Commonwealth crown.

Funso Banjo, Nigeria, living in West Ham, 225, won the vacant Southern Area heavyweight title by narrowly outpointing Hughroy Currie, Catford, 214¾, by 98½-98 over 10. It couldn't have been closer.

American Mark Lee, 215¼, kayoed Noel Quarless, Liverpool, 206, in round one with a left to the body, which Quarless obviously thought was in the kidneys.

Nick Wilshire, 155¾, beat Ugandan John Langol, 152¼, the referee intervening in round six with Langol under pressure.

After a long lay-off, Rudi Pika, Wales, 206, outpointed Lonwood Jones, America, 243½, over six by 60-57½, not losing a round.

Adrian Elliott, 217¾, beat Theo Josephs, Huddersfield, 182½, the bout being stopped in round four after the latter had been shaken by a right uppercut. When they met before, Elliott stopped his man in six.

(05-13-84)

▲LONDON—Alexandra Palace—Former world light middleweight champion Ayub Kalule, 161½, made a successful comeback by beating British prospect Jimmy Price, 160, the referee intervening after only 1:30 of the opening round when Price had been down twice.

First came a right hook, Price got up at four. Kalule drove his man to the ropes and ripped in punch after punch. Jimmy took a count of three, but when he rose his legs wouldn't respond, and as he tottered around unsteadily, the referee stepped in.

A big disappointment for Price, and a lot of encouragement for Kalule in his attempt to get back into world contention.

Errol Christie, Coventry, 162, beat American Stacy McSwain, the bout being stopped in round five with Christie on top but McSwain still on his feet. The American protested vigorously, and it was the first time he had been stopped—in a bout where tempers got a bit frayed at times.

Martin G. Patrick, Tottenham, 154, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Phil O'Hare, Manchester, 156, scoreline 79-78 after eight.

Billy Hardy, Sunderland, 118½, beat Anthony Brown, Islington, 121½, the bout being stopped in round five with Brown under pressure and marked by the left eye. Hardy was down briefly in the first.

Mickey Kilgallon, Peckham, 147, defeated Dave Cox, Northampton, 148, the referee intervening in round five after Cox had been down.

Alan Coveley, Bethnal Green, 119¾, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Bobby McDermott, Glasgow, 117, over six, not losing a round with a scoreling of 60-57 over six.

(04-25-84)

▲WOLVERHAMPTON—Civic Hall—British lightweight champion George Feeney, 137, outpointed Mickey Baker, Worcester, 137, by 98½-97½ in a non-title 10-rounder. Baker put up a fine display, and was always willing to make a fight of it. He never gave the champ a moment's rest, but the superior skills came from Feeney.British bantam champ John Feeney, brother of George, outpointed Midlands Area featherweight champion Steve Topliss by a narrow 98-97½, also over 10. The margin seemed wider. Both were inside 126.

Horace Notice, Birmingham, 199, confirmed a previous win by beating Andrew Gerrard, Risca, 205, the referee intervening in round two.

Kenny Jinks, West Bromwich, 135, outpointed Nick Day, Southampton, 136, over six by 59-58.

Deka Williams, West Browmwich, 177, outscored Jerry Golden, Manchester, 176, over six by 59½-58.

(04-27-84)

▲RHYL-Dixieland—Dave Haggerty, Paisley, 138, didn't lose a round outpointing Jimmy Bunclarke, Liverpool, the Central Area lightweight champion, 138, over eight by 80-77½. Both are southpaws.

Winston Wray, Bolton, 163, outpointed Johnny Elliott, Telford, 163, by 59-58 over six. Wray was cut by the left eye, but floored Elliott in round five.

Debutant Brian King, Rhyl, 127, drew with Ian Murray, Manchester, 129, six.

Alan Price, Fishguard, 175, was also having his first fight and won every round in outpointing Eddie Chatterton, Liverpool, 175, by 60-57 over six.

(04-30-84)

▲GLASGOW—Proud Kilimanjaro, Zimbabwe, 225, a contender for the Commonwealth heavyweight title, beat Neil Malpass, South Eelmsall, 210½, in round five. Malpass was down twice before the bout was stopped. When they met 12 months earlier Kilimanjaro won on points.

John McAllister, Greenock, 149, outpointed Jim Kelly, Wishaw, 149, over eight by 79-78. Kelly is the Scottish welter champ.

Bobb McDermott, Glasgow, 118, drew with Gordon Stobie, Darlington, 119, six.

Hugh Kelly, Blantyre, 133½, kayoed debutante Doug Munro, Glasgow, 139, after two minutes of the first round, with a left to the jaw.

Alistair Laurie, Selkirk, 140, made an impressive debut by outpointing Neil Patterson, Dartington, 140, over six, winning every round with a scoreline of 60-57.

(04-30-84)

▲LIVERPOOL—Liver Sporting Club—Alex Romeo, Leicester, 172, narrowly outpointed Blaine Longsden, 164, over eight by 78½-78.

Claude Rosse, 149, Derby, won every round in outpointing Ray Murray, Manchester, 148½, over six by 60-56½.

Paul Kelly, Doncaster, 147, beat Peter Flanagan, Manchester, 147, the bout being stopped at the end of round four. Flanagan was under pressure, and had been cut by the left eye after a clash of heads.

Debutant Graham Sutton, Rhyl, 146, beat fellow first-timer Mick Joyce, Doncaster, 144, the referee intervening in round four after Joyce had been down four times.

(04-30-84)

▲LONDON—National Sporting Club—This function was a 50th birthday tribute to former heavyweight champion Henry Cooper. In the top-liner, light welterweight champion Clinton McKenzie, 142½, narrowly outpointed Irish Brett Lally of America, 141, over 10 by 98-97½. An excellent contest, bags of action, and a shock for McKenzie in round seven. But he finished like a champion, and deserved the verdict.

Dave Garside, Hartlepool, 205, outpointed Dearoy Bryan, Swindon, 208, over eight by 79-77. Garside was down three times, but got on top in the second half of the fight.

Glen McCrory, Penge, 201, outpointed Frankie Robinson, Wednesbury, 205, over six, not losing a round with a scoreline of 60-57½ over six.

Lee White, Morden, 197½, drew with Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 188, six.

(04-30-84)

▲MAIDSTONE—Royal Star Hotel—Geoff Rhymer, Hull, beat Paul Newman, Bognor, their light heavyweight bout being stopped in round four when Newman was cut by the right eye. Little in it at that stage. This was their fourth meeting, and the score is now two each.

Frankie Lake, Bournemouth, outpointed Trevor Hopson, Billericay, in a welterweight contest by 60-57½ over six, not losing a round.

Steve Cooke, Southend, 137½, drew with Cornelius Cronin, Watford, 142, who was making his debut. A good six-rounder.

Mark Simpson, Brighton, 147, beat Kevin Johnson, Birmingham, 149½, the referee intervening in round three with Johnson under pressure.

(05-01-84)

▲LONDON—York Hall—Jim McDonnell, Camden, 131¾, made it nine in a row by easily outpointing Keith Foreman, Hartlepool, 133¼, scoreline 80-76½, indicating that McDonnell hadn't lost a round.

Gary Nickels, Paddington, 126¾, beat Stuart Carmichael, Hull, 126, the bout being stopped in round five after the latter had been decked three times. When they met before, Nickels won on points.

Billy Cassidy, Smithfield, 177, narrowly outpointed Theo Josephs, Huddersfield, 177, over six by 59½-59.

Mick Durvan, Penge, 138, outpointed Gary Williams, Doncaster, 137¾, over six by 59½-58½.

Mark Reafer, Bethnal Green, 128, won every round outpointing Alec Irvinc, Corby, 127, over six by 60-57.

(05-01-84)

▲SOLIHULL—Midlands Sporting Club—Darwin Brewster, Cardiff, 156, won every round in outpointing Martin McEwan, Birmingham, 161, over eight by 80-76.

Rocky Feliciello, 151¾, Rhyl, Welsh light middleweight champion, outpointed Judas Clottey, Ghana, 147, by 79-78 over eight. Little in this one.

Romel Ambrose, Leicester, 173, outpointed Winston Burnett, Cardiff, 172, over eight by 79½-77½.

Mike Marsden, Leeds, 129½, kayoed Dave Bryan, Rhyl, 128, in round seven with a right uppercut. If it had gone the full distance, it would have been close.

Lennie Gloster, Peterborough, 144, beat Vince Bailey, Birmingham, 143, the referee stopping the bout—some thought a little prematurely.

(05-02-84)

▲DIGBETH—Kostas Petrou, Birmingham, 146¾, outpointed Lloyd Christie, Wolverhampton, 147, over 12 by a narrow 118-117½. This was a final eliminator for the British welterweight title, and also a defense of Petrou's Midlands Area crown.

Petrou was down in round two, but fought back purposefully, and got on top during the second half of the fight, with Christie contesting the issue every inch of the way. An excellent contest, and one that will be remembered for a long time.

Pat Cowdell, former European and British featherweight champion, came out of retirement to beat Prictchard, Liverpool, the referee intervening with Pritchard on the deck in round five. He had already been down thrice.

A confident performance, and Cowdell's next aim is the European junior lightweight title. This division is not recognized in Britain, but British boxers are qualified to box for any European crown.

Martin McGough, Coventry, 146, beat Stephen Friel, Buncrana, 147, the referee intervening in the sixth and final round with

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Trevor Berbick (Canada)
1. Frank Bruno (England)
2. Ken Lakusta (Canada)
3. David Pearce (Wales)
4. Maile Haumona (Tonga)
5. Funso Banjo (England)
6. Hughroy Currie (England)
7. Proud Kilimanjaro (Zimbabwe)
8. Razor Ruddock (Canada)
9. Gordie Racette (Canada)
10. George Stankovich (New Zealand)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Stewart Lithgo (England)
1. John Odhiambo (Uganda)
2. Bashiru Ali (Nigeria)
3. Roddy McDonald (Canada)
4. Steve Aczel (Australia)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lotte Mwale (Zambia)
1. Prince Mama Muhammad (Ghana)
2. Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
3. Leslie Stewart (Trinidad)
4. Don LaLonde (Canada)
5. Alex Sua (New Zealand)
6. Dennis Andries (England)
7. Karl Canwell (England)
8. Tom Collins (England)
9. Wally Carr (Australia)
10. Devon Bailey (England)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Mark Kaylor (England)
1. Murray Sutherland (Canada)
2. Tony Sibson (England)
3. Ayub Kalule (Uganda)
4. Herol Graham (England)
5. Roy Gumbs (England)
6. Errol Christie (England)
7. Richie Roberts (Australia)
8. Steve Dennis (Australia)
9. Alex Hilton (Canada)
10. Brian Muller (Guyana)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Mike McCallum (Jamaica)
2. John Mugabi (Uganda)
3. Kenny Bristol (Guyana)
4. Ken Salisbury (Australia)
5. Jimmy Cable (England)
6. John Mundunga (Uganda)
7. Brian Anderson (England)
8. Chris Ryatt (England)
9. Nick Wilshire (England)
10. Nelson Bosso (Zimbabwe)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Colin Jones (Wales)
1. Kirkland Laing (England)
2. David Hilton (Canada)
3. Mario Cusson (Canada)
4. Russell Sands (Australia)
5. Frank Ropis (Australia)
6. Lloyd Honeyghan (England)
7. Mark Harris (Guyana)
8. Kostas Petrou (England)
9. Sylvester Mittee (England)
10. Fighting Romanus (Nigeria)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Billy Famous (Nigeria)
1. Clinton McKenzie (England)
2. Obisia Nwankpa (Nigeria)
3. Brian Janssen (Australia)
4. Jeff Malcolm (Australia)
5. Nick Furlano (Canada)
6. Terry Marsh (England)
7. Pat Leglise (Australia)
8. Winston Spencer (England)
9. Tony Laing (England)
10. Vernon Vanreil (England)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Claude Noel (Trinidad)
1. George Feeney (England)
2. Barry Michael (Australia)
3. Davidson Andeh (Nigeria)
4. Ray Cattouse (England)
5. Remo DiCarlo (Canada)
6. Graeme Brooke (Australia)
7. Sam Ago Kotey (Ghana)
8. Hogan Jimoh (Nigeria)
9. Pierre Huneault (Canada)
10. Tony Willis (England)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
John Sichula (Zambia)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (England)
2. John Muwunga (Tanzania)
3. Safiu Okeibadan (Nigeria)
4. Brian Schofield (Australia)
5. Langton Tinago (Zimbabwe)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Azumah Nelson (Ghana)
1. Barry McGuigan (No. Ireland)
2. Charm Chiteule (Zambia)
3. Kabiru Akendele (Nigeria)
4. Clyde Ruan (England)
5. Steve Sims (Wales)
6. Jey Nardo (Zimbabwe)
7. Tony Salvatore (Canada)
8. Tyrone Downes (Trinidad)
9. Eric Boone (Nigeria)
10. Pat Doherty (England)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Paul Ferreri (Australia)
1. Mike Irungu (Kenya)
2. Francis Musankabala (Zambia)
3. John Feeney (England)
4. Davy Larmour (No. Ireland)
5. Stix Macloud (Zimbabwe)
6. Ray Gilbody (England)
7. John Farrell (England)
8. Jeff Roberts (Guyana)
9. Hector Clottey (Ghana)
10. Peter Harris (England)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Keith Wallace (England)
1. Charlie Magri (England)
2. Stephen Muchoki (Kenya)
3. Ian Clyde (Australia)
4. Hugh Russell (No. Ireland)
5. Wayne Mulholland (Australia)
6. Steve Bell (Australia)
7. Junior Thompson (Australia)
8. Duke McKenzie (England)
9. Bobby Williams (Australia)
10. Kelvin Smart (Wales)

Friel under pressure but still upright. There were just five seconds of the fight to go.

Peter Foster, Birmingham, 149, made it six in a row when he beat Vince Stewart, Tottenham, 149½, the stoppage coming with 30 seconds left of the sixth and final round after Stewart had sunk to the canvas.

Debutant Peter Ashcroft, Liverpool, 144, narrowly outscored Mark Simpson, Brighton, also 144, over six by 59-58½.
(05-10-84)

▲HANLEY—Victoria Hall—Sylvester Mittee, Bethnal Green, 147¾, beat Ken Releford, America, 147½, the bout being stopped in round three after the latter had been floored with a right to the head.

Willie Wright, Birmingham, 160¾, did well to concede a lot of weight and still outpoint Winston Burnett, Cardiff, 170, over eight by 78½-77½.

Terry Magee, Ammanford, 156, beat Cornelius Chisholm, Wolverhampton, 152¾, who retired at the end of round three with an injured right hand. He had been down from a right to the head.

Mark Sperrin, Birmingham, 143, defeated Steve Harwood, Batley, the stoppage coming in round four after Harwood had been down.

Debutant Carl Gaffney, Leeds, 230½, beat Steve Abadom, Newcastle, 214, the referee intervening in round three after Abadom had been down.
(05-12-84)

▲LEICESTER—Granby Halls—Chris Pyatt, Leicester, 150, kept his unbeaten record by knocking out Frank Morro, Ghana, 146, in round four with a left hook. Morro was handicapped by a swelling around the right eye.

Tony McKenzie, Leicester, 140, outpointed Ray Price, Swansea, 142, over eight, not losing a round. Scoreline: 80-77 over eight.

Graeme Griffin, Corby, 148, outpointed Dave Heaver, Doncaster, 148, over six by 60-57½, also not losing a round.

Rex Weaver, Leicester, 153, outpointed Floyd Davidson, Burton, 158, over six by 59½-57½. Weaver bled from the nose.

Wayne Trigg, Nuneaton, 135, drew with Dean Bramhald, Doncaster, 131, four.

Mark Watts, Leicester, 158, kayoed Lateef Beacher, Doncaster, 156, in round two with a flurry of punches.
(05-09-84)

▲LONDON—Alan Minter Sporting Club—Glenn McCrory, 201, bewt Frank Robinson, Wednesbury, 204, and confirmed a previous win by stopping him on a referee's intervention in round four, after Robinson had been down. When they met previously, McCroy won on points, McCoroy's fifth straight win.

Welsh middleweight champion Doug James was floored briefly in round one, but got up to knock out Johnny Elliott, Leicester, 161, in round four after flooring him for nine with body punches.

Nigel Shingles, Brighton, 161, beat debutant Danny Clinton, Acton, 164, the referee intervening in round two with Clinton under pressure after being floored.

Cornelius Cronin, Notting Hill, drew with Nicky Day, Southampton, 138, six.
(05-09-84)

▲MANCHESTER—Anglo American Sporting Club—Mike Farghaly, Manchester, 165, beat Chris Coady, Manchester, 164, the referee intervening with half a minute left of the eighth and final round, after Coady had been dropped with a right hand

Kevin Walsh, Manchester, 128, kayoed Billy Joe Dee, Alfreton, 129, halfway through the opening round with a right to the body.

Stuart Robinson, Birmingham, 171½, defeated Doug Isles, 172, the bout being stopped in round two with Isles in no position to defend himself. All this after Isles had shaken Robinson in the opening round with a right to the chin.
(05-14-84)

▲GLASGOW—Normandy Hotel—Hugh Kelly, Blantyre, 134, gained his fourth successive win in dramtic fashion. At the opening bell, he dashed across the ring and landed a perfect left hook to the chin of Steve Cook, Southend, 133, putting him down and out. Total time, including the count—11 seconds.

Tommy Campbell, Blantyre, 149½, didn't lose a round outpointing Mickey Bird, Chesterfield, 146, over eight by 80-77½ over eight.

Debutant Danny Lee, Greenock, 117½, outpointed Bobby McDermott, Glasgow, 117, over six by 59½-58.

Alistair Laurie, Selkirk, 140, beat Tom Kellsher, Ireland, 142, the referee intervening in round five with Kellsher under pressure.

Steve Griffiths, Finchley, 134½, didn't lose a round outpointing Brian Hyslop, Glasgow, 133, over six by 60-58.
(05-14-84)

▲NOTTINGHAM—Great International Sporting Club—Substitute Robert Dickie, Swansea, 127, caused a bit of a stir by outpointing Dae Pratt, Leicester, over eight by a narrow 78½-78.

Gary Felvus, Leeds, 134, was down from the first punch of the fight but rallied to beat Willie Wilson, Nottingham, 133, the referee intervening in round seven after Wilson had been down. Felvus was cut by the right eye in round two.

Robert Armstrong, Doncaster, 154, outscored Steve Ward, Nottingham, 158, over six by a narrow 59-58½.

Rocky Mensah, Bradford, 148, outpointed Dave Heaver, Doncaster, 148, by the same narrow 59-58½.

Les White, Morden, 186, gained a narrow six-round points verdict over Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 191. Scoreline: 58-57½.
(05-14-84)

▲BRADFORD—Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club—Brian Anderson, 158, kept his Central Area middleweight title by beating Sammy Brennan, Kirkby, 159½, who retired at the end of round one with a broken nose.

Sammy Sampson, Preston, 158, outpointed Dave Dunn, Rossendale, 161, over six, not losing a round. Scoreline: 60-57.

Chris Edge, Dinnington, 147, beat Bobby McGowan, Leeds, also 147, who was disqualified for allegedly hitting low in round two.

Andrew Sumner, Sheffield, 149, kayoed Tommy Kempson, Blackpool, 148, in round four.
(05-31-84)

▲LONDON—National Sporting Club—Duke McKenzie, 113, kayoed MIdlands Area champion Gary (Rocky) Roberts, 113½, in the opening round with a right to the body. Roberts had been down from a right hook.

Ray Gilbody, St. Helens, 120, beat Vicente Fernandez, Spain, 120, the referee intervening in round two when Fernandez had stopped fighting back. He was down in the opening session.

Chris Pyatt, Leicester, 154½, kept his unbeaten record by defeating Spaniard Alfonso Redendo, 154, the bout being stopped in round three with Redondo taking punishment. Pyatt's 10th successive victory.

Debutant Tyrone Forbes, Notting Hill, 162, narrowly outpointed Mickey Kidd, Bedworth, 161½, over six by 78½-78.
(05-23-84)

▲ABERDEEN—Skean Dhu Dyce Hotel—Gary Williams, Doncaster, 137, beat Hugh Kelly, Blantyre, 133½, the referee intervening in round four when Kelly was cut by the left eye, which needed four stitches.

John McAllister, Port Glasgow, 149¾, outpointed Tony Smith, Bootle, 151, over eight by 79½-78.

Tommy Campbell, Blantyre, 149¾, outpointed Robert Armstrong, Doncaster, 152, over eight by 79½-77.

Doug Munro, Glasgow, 135, didn't lose a round outpointing Dean Bramhald, Doncaster, 136, by 60-57½ over six.
(05-21-84)

▲BRISTOL—Redwood Lodge Hotel—Julian Boustead, Torquay, 142¾, outpointed Steve Tempro, Leicester, 147¼, over eight by 80-77, not losing a round. Tempro was down briefly in rounds seven and eight.

In a battle of debutants, Billy Barton, Bridgend, 120¼, outpointed Steve Lucas, Waltham Abbey, 116¼, over six by 60-58½, not losing a round.

Steve James, Merthyr, 126½, outpointed Andy Williams, Pontnewynydd, 133½, over six by 59½-58½.

Colin Meagle, Merthyr, 144¼, was floored in the first round, but rallied to outpoint Danny Shinkwin, Watford, 148¼, over six by a narrow 59½-59.
(05-19-84)

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JAPAN

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Rising Takaharu Nishimura, the JBC's second ranked 118-pounder, dropped Hiroshi Yamamoto in the ninth and 10th rounds, winning a onesided nod in 10. Each scaled 117¾ pounds.

The loser was saved by the final bell, while ref Kumazaki was giving him a standing count. Scoring: referee Kodai Kumazaki and judge Ken Morita, both 99-90; judge Shoji Nakamori, 99-91 all for the former sparring partner of Eijiro Murata. Nishimura is now 9-3 with four kayoes. Yamamoto fell to 9-7-2 with four knockouts.

Tetsuo Kawaguchi, 128¾, stopped veteran Shogo Tabata, 129½, at 1:00 of the second round in an eight. Kawaguchi is now 4-1 with four kayoes. Tabata, dropped to 6-22-4 with two knockouts.

Masahiro Tsuda, 134¾, halted Tomoyuki Oya, 134¼, at 2:19 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Four rounders: Masaaki Iida, 115, finished Shinji Takei, 114½, at 1:27 of the opening canto. Keisuke Oki, 133¾, barely won from Ryoichi Saida, 134¼. Kazuma Saito, 121, made a good debut by scoring a fine kayo over Shigeyuki Kobayashi, 119¾, at 2:13 of the first round. Tatsuhiro Nakatsu, 117½, stopped Kiroshi Iwakiri, 118, at 1:34 of the first round in the opener.

Sasazaki Boxing Group. No telecast.

Attendance—1,200 (est.).
(05-18-84)

▲NAHA, OKINAWA—Onoyama Gymnasium—Japanese bantamweight champ Mitsuo Imazato, 118, kept his title by stopping previously unbeaten challenger Mitsuru Arazaki, 117½, at 2:56 of the fourth round in a 10. It was Imazato's third defense since dethroning Shuichi Isogami via a kayo last year. Arazaki, fighting in his hometown, attempted to get inside of the defending champ from the start, but Imazato, piloted by Fighting Harada, battered with accurate punches. Scoring after the third round: ref Kazumasa Kuwata, 30-29, Imazato: judges Harumi Yamashita and Kenjiro Makizumi, both 30-29, Arazaki. Imazato, 22, is 17-7 with nine kayoes. Arazaki, 21, is 6-1 with five knockouts.

Katsunori Hokama, 136¾, outscored veteran Kojiro Sasaki, also 136¾, eight. Kenji Chinen, 153¾, stopped Manabu Kiura,

152, 0:42 of the seventh in theirh scheduled eight.

Yoshinao Tsuda, 121½, kayoed Animal Takamura, 120¾, in 1:44 of the second round in a six.

Hitoshi Kurahashi, 115, halted Kiyoo Okabe, 114¼, at 1:05 of the second round in the four-round opener.

Flipper Uehara Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—2,000 (est.)

(05-19-84)

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Former Japanese junior flyweight champ Tetsumi Takeshita, 108, flattened Filipino Romy Austria, 105¼, in 3:04 of the third round in a scheduled 10.

It was a one-punch kayo, Takeshita's right exploding on Romy's jaw. Takeshita is now 11-2 with eight kayoes. It was the Filipino's first bout here.

In the semi-final 10, the JBC's top ranked junior fly, Kazuhiro Ikeda, 108, suffered an unbelievable kayo at the hands of Hideto Osanai, 108, in 2:12 of the fifth round. Ikeda, now 15-4 with 10 kayoes, was dropped twice and counted out by ref Takeshi Shimakawa. The upset winner is now 7-4 with five knockouts.

The first 10 saw Takeshi Mitsu, the JBC's seventh ranked junior feather, 124¾, down Keigo Furuta, 124½, twice and TKO him at 0:25 of the fourth round. Mitsu, 21, is now 15-4 with three kayoes. Furuta, also 21, is 7-5-1 with two knockouts.

Masakatsu Sakuma, 118, stopped Moriyoshi Wada, 118, at 1:19 of the second round.

Tetsuya Muraoka, 113¾, floored Mitsuharu Eimori, 111¼, with a countering right, winning a decision, six.

Four rounders: Takahiro Oda, 124, ran his unbeaten log to 5-0 with two kayoes by taking a majority nod from Ko Funabashi, 123½. Tomio Shibata, 117½, polished off Kazuyoshi Shimura, 117½, in the opener.

Co-promoted by Shuttle and Shinto Promotions.

TV Asahi. Attendance—2,000 (estimated).

(05-22-84)

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Mexican German (Kyoei) Torres, 109, battered less experienced lefty Rikuo Watanabe, 108, and halted him at 2:18 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. It was Torres' 12th win and tenth kayo as a member of Japan's Kyoei Club. Watanabe dropped to 10-5 with three knockouts. Ex-kick boxer Gen Tosa, a tough lefty at 132, was awarded a TKO win over Kazushi Maehara, 131½, at the end of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. The loser was bleeding too profusely to continue. Tosa, 31, is 15-6-1 with six kayoes. Maehara, the JBC's third ranked junior lightie, is 8-5-2 with six knockouts.

Eiji Kimura, this year's winner of the Novice King tourney, 147¼, banged out Koji Honma, 147, and took a unanimous nod. But Kimura, is now 7-0 with six kayoes.

Yoshiro Machi, another *Shinjin-o* (Novice King) tourney winner, 114½, was surprisingly dropped twice-in the first and second rounds—but fought back hard to finish Hideaki Nishikawa, 115, at 0:55 of the fifth round in their scheduled six.

Having received the Best Novice King award last February, hard punching Shunsuke Soma, 118, bettered his log to 7-0 with as many kayoes, stopping Shinichi Ogawa, 117¼, at 1:34 of the second canto in six.

Four rounders: Takayoshi Chino, 137, won a majority nod over Naomi Tok, 137½. Yukio Suzuki, 134½, and Asataro Saito, 133½, fought to a technical draw at 1:00 of the second. Takahiro Ito, 116½, won a unanimous nod over Yukihiro Hatsuyoshi, 118, in the opener.

Shin-Nippon Saito Promotions. TBS TV.

Attendance—2,500 (est.).

(05-14-84)

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Having scored four consecutive kayoes, switch-hitting Kazuo Osamu, the JBC's top junior feather-weight contender at 125½, lost an upset decision to Rusher Kawaguchi, 126, 10.

Scoring: referee Ken Morita, 97-95; judges Takeaki Kanaya and Yusaku Yoshida, 98-95 and 97-97, respectively—a majority nod for Kawaguchi. The winner resistlessly attacked the pro-hibitive favorite with Osamu retreating all the way. Osamu, 22, fell to 14-3-1 with eight kayoes. Kawaguchi, also 22, improved to 10-3-1 with four knockouts.

The semi-final 10 saw Hideo Young, 134, score a clearcut kayo over Kenjiro Kawai, 126, with a straight left in 2:01 of the fourth round. Hideo, the JBC's number two lightie, is now 11-5-1 with nine kayoes. Kawai fell to 4-6-1 with four knockouts.

Having been stopped by Jackal Maruyama in his bid for the Japanese junior bantam title months ago, Kazuki Higa, 115¾, returned to action and scored a onesided nod over Masayuki Kirisaki, 114¼, eight. Higa, 23, is now 11-1 with six kayoes. Kirisaki, 114¼, is 9-8-4 with two knockouts.

Four rounders: Keiichi Osaki, 114½, won from Nobuyuki Sudo, 114¼. Masataka Fujiwara, 115, outscored Lazy Oshima, 113¾. Hisashi Nakatomi, 106¾, barely outpointed Kazuhiro Seya, 107¾. Kiyoshi Ishii, 126, kayoed Tatsuya Noda, 126, in 2:17 of the fourth session. Haruyuki Kurokawa, 129¼, finished Yasuo Ebihara, 129½, at 2:28 of the first round in the opener.

Osamu Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—1,800 (est.)

(05-24-84)

▲OSAKA—Prefectural Gymnasium—Stopped by Takuya Muguruma in his quest for the Japanese junior featherweight title, Kaoru Yoshioka, 124¾, pummeled Masataka Katayama, 124¾ into submission at 1:43 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Kaoru floored the loser in round four, and the towel was tossed in.

Yoshioka is now 13-11-1 with nine kayoes. Katayama dropped to 6-7-1 with four knockouts.

Masahide Ikehaa, 125¾, leading on points, was kayoed by Koichi Satojima, this year's Novice King tourney winner at 125½, in 1:57 of the eighth and final round. Ikehara is now 12-9-1 with five kayoes. Satojima is 6-2-2 with four knockouts.

Four rounders: Kaneto Kimura, 125½, won from Takahito Imanaka, 125¾. Katsuhiro Shimizu, 127½, decisioned Naoki Nomura, 139½. Akira Hamada, 111½, stopped Masatoshi Higashi, 111¾, at 1:02 of the first round. Takashi Kirata, 111½, halted Eiji Moriya, 112, at 2:04 of the first session. Satoki Suhara, 130½, disposed of Yosuke Kubota, 131, at 2:09 of the third canto. Koichi Chuno, 106¾, won over Yasuichi Ishigaya, 109. Yosuke Matsuoka, 116, TKO'd Koichi Ozaki, 117, at 1:20 of the third round in the opener.

Kambayashi Boxing CLub. No telecast.

Attendance—2,800 (est.).

▲OSAKA—Castle Int. Culture Sports Hall—Japanese middleweight champion Keitoku Senrima, 160, kept his crown for the fifth time by taking a majority decision over Mugen (Shigeru) Kawasaka, 154¼, 10. Scoring: ref Hiroyoshi Yasuda, 97-96, Senrima; judge Ichiro Uenaka, 98-97, Senrima; judge Ryoji Kashiwagi, 96-99.

Senrima's severe reduction of weight made him sluggish at the start, but his superior reach and physique overpowered the much shorter Mugen. Senrima, having trained in Detroit's Kronk Gym in the last year, upped his log to 10-5 with five kayoes. Mugen fell to 11-5 with nine knockouts.

In the semi-final 10, the WBC's 10th ranked super lightie Hidekazu Akai, 143, needed just 56 seconds to demolish Kei Tsukada, 142½, with three knockdowns. Nobumitsu Inukai, referee. Akai raised his log to 18-1 with 16 kayoes. Tsukada is now 2-3-3 with two knockouts. A mismatch.

In the first 10, Koichi Sugimoto, the JBC's number seven junior bantie at 116¾, decisioned Lord Mitsura, 116. Scoring: ref Kashiwagi, 96-94; judge Nobumitsu Inukai, 97-96; judge Hiroshi Matsumoto, 97-97. Yoshiyuki Uchida, 111, won a onesided nod over Heishin Tokuchi, also 111, eight. Uchida, the JBC's top flyweight contender, scored a points win for the first time, being 16-1-1 with 15 kayoes. Tokuchi is 6-4-2 with two knockouts.

Gonzaburo Nobu, 111, finished Katsutoshi Kaneshima, 110½, at 1:30 of the second round in a scheduled eight.

Four rounders: Tatsuya Yamada, 108A4, stopped Yoshijaru Masuda, 106½, at 1:02 of the first round Masayuki Irami, 126, drew with Shinji Ogawa, 125, in the opener.

Sanwa Tsuda Promotions. Asahi Hoso TV.

Attendance—12,000 (est.).

(06-05-84)

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Ex-Japanese junior bantamweight champ Kackal Maruyama returned to the ring. But Shuichi Hozumi, Japanese flyweight kingpin at 113¾, dropped Kackal, a rough swinger at 113½, four rimes, pounding out a onesided decision in a sensational 10-round bout.

The taller and sharper Hozumi had the 30-year-old veteran on the deck in the first, second and third rounds and made the loser take a standing count in the final session. Hozumi, usually a safety-first footworker, turned was aggressive from the start. Scoring: ref Hiroyuki Tezaki, 100-87; judge Takeaki Kanya, 100-88; judge Masakazu Uchida, 100-89—all for the lanky winner.

Hozumi, 24, impressively raised his log to 24-3 with seven kayoes. Jackal, six years his senior, dropped to 22-9-4 with 14 knockouts.

In the semi-final 10, hard punching Nobuyuki Tabata, 145¾, floored Chotaro Nagao, 114¼, twice and scored a fine kayo at 1:04 of the second round. Tabata, 20, is now 11-2-1 with 11 kayoes. Nagao, 29, is 4-10 with one knockout.

Keiji Sato, the JBC's eighth ranked flyweight and this year's Novice King tourney winner at 112, was held to a majority draw (double 59-59 and 59-58 for Sato) with Takeshi Inami, also 112, six.

Four rounders: Takashi Ojubo, 119½, stopped Haruji Takamatsu, 119¼, at 1:34 of the second round. Buffalo Tano, 115, lost to Toshimi Miura, 114¾. Seiju Hara, 112, outpointed Noritoshi Yoshitani, also 112, in the opener.

Teiken Promotions. Nippon TV.

Attendance—2,500.

(06-07-84)

▲TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Unbeaten Takuya Maguruma, the WBC's 13th ranked super bantam at 120½, kept his Japanese junior featherweight title by taking a hairline decision from Keiji Kawamura, 121¾, 10.

The lefty challenger took the initiative with reckless combinations and Muguruma, with seven consecutive kayoes, was behind on points. But the hard hitting champ caught Kawamura with a vicious left hook and knocked him down in round nine. Beating the count, Kawamura absorbed another good combo and took a standing count. The ninth round was a nightmare for Kawamura.

Scoring: ref Takeshi Shimakawa, 97-95; judges Shiju Nakamori and Yusaku Yoshida, 97-96 and 96-95, respectively—all for the

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Keitoku Senrima
1. Mugen Kawaska
2. Shinji Tojo
3. Hiroshi Izumiya
4. Koji Aoki
5. Tsutomu Takashiho

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Tadashi Mihara
1. Yohi Arai
2. Katsuhiro Sawada
3. Katsuhide Nomura
4. Kei Tsukada
5. Takanobu Suzuki
6. Noboru Kawaguchi
7. Kenji Chinen

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Champion
Junya Kushikino
1. Carlos Elliott
2. Nobutaka Kuwata
3. Taijiro Niyama
4. Iwao Nishikawa
5. Kozo Fukuya
6. Shoji Okishima
7. Rocky Takemoto
8. Eiji Kimura
9. Makoto Mochizuki
10. No Listing

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Champion
Akio Kameda
1. Mashahiro Tanabu
2. Fujio Ozaki
3. Nobuyuki Tabata
4. Ryutaro Otsuki
5. Hammer Itoi
6. Masaji Fujiwara
7. Katsunori Hokama
8. Chotaro Nagao

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3. Cheyenne Yamamoto
4. Eiji Okimoto
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8. Katsutoshi Takasaki
9. Hideyuki Shikano
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7. Isamu Teramoto
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Eijiro Kuruma
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2. Hiroyuki Kobayashi
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7. Tatsunari Hisashiro
8. Roberto (Chiba) Arrendondo
9. Koichi Satojima
10. Junya Hamada

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Takuya Muguruma
1. Eiji Oyama
2. Kaoru Yoshioka
3. Takeshi Mitsu
4. Kazuo Osamu
5. Satoshi Koguchi
6. Keiji Kawamura
7. Marciano Sekiyama
8. Masahide Ikehara
9. Takashi Komori
10. No Listing

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Mitsuo Imazato
1. Takaharu Nishimura
2. Mitsuru Aransaki
3. Makoto Taguchi
4. Hiroshi Yamamoto
5. Kazuhiro Matsuda
6. Kiyoshi Oyama
7. Masataka Katayama
8. Fumihito Hasegawa
9. Shotgun Suzuki
10. Shunsuke Soma

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Kazuo Katsuma
1. Hiroyuki Seki
2. Mutsuo Watanabe
3. Jackal Maruyama
4. Tadashi Maruo
5. Yasumasa Kawate
6. Hiroaki Kato
7. Koichi Sugimoto
8. Yoshiro Machi
9. Kazuki Higa
10. Jo Shiranui

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Shuichi Hozumi
1. Yoshiyuki Uchida
2. Koji Nishikawa
3. Kazuyoshi Funaki
4. Takashi Sakakibara
5. Takashiro Masaki
6. Yuto Kazaki
7. Yoshiyuki Uchikoshi
8. Hitoshi Taniuchi
9. Keiji Sato
10. No Listing

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tadashi Kuramochi
2. Yoshiaki Nojima
3. Tetsumi Takeshita
4. Kentoku Nakama
5. Hideto Osanai
6. Kazuhiro Ikeda
7. Yoshikazu Kurashita
8. Rikuo Watanabe
9. Kenji Ono
10. Tomohiro Kiuna

Other Japanese boxers rated by world boxing organizations: Hidekazu Akai (#10 WBC junior welterweight), Koji Kobayashi (#5 WBC flyweight; #9 WBA), Kenbun Taiho (#10 WBA junior flyweight), Katsuo Tokashiki (#5 WBA junior flyweight; #8 WBC), Sendai Montiel (#5 WBC junior flyweight).

23-year-old champ. Muguruma, a crisp puncher, is now 16-0 with 10 kayoes. The good loser, five years his senior, fell to 11-5-1 with six knockouts.

In the semi, ex-Japanese featherweight kingpin Hiroyuki Kobayashi, 128, narrowly won a majority nod (double 98-96 and 97-97) over Yoshinari Tanaka, also 128, 10. Kobayashi is now 14-8 (11 kayoes). Tanaka dropped to 13-3 with five knockouts.

Nobutaka Kuwata, the JBC's second ranked welterweight at 146½, survived a first round knockdown to scored a fine kayo over Kozo Fujutani, 147, in 1:10 of the third round in a scheduled 10.

Yasuji Shimoji, 128, downed Masayuki Ono, also 128, twice and stopped him at 2:58 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Four rounders: Mitsuo Hatano, 149¾, halted Tatsuro Sugimoto, 150, at 2:00 of the third session. Shumichi Nakajima, 117¼, finished Michihiro Saga, 117½, at 0:17 of the third. Akoyoshi Ito, 132, polished off Takehito Yoshimima, 131½, at 1:01 of the first round in the opener.

Yonekura Promotions. TV Asahi.

Attendance—2,200 (est.).

(05-12-84)

JOE KOIZUMI

KOREA

▲**PUSAN—Kudok Gymnasium—**Unbeaten Kyung-Duk An, Korean junior welterweight champion at 140, ran his log to 14-0 with eight kayoes as he retained his title by outscoring Chong-Hak Lee, also 140, 10. Lee, the KBC's top contender, fell to 10-5-2 with one kayo.

The semi-final saw Oh-Kyu Chang, 126, become the new Korean featherweight titlist by decisioning Sung-Yun Kim, also 126, in a 10-round eliminator. Chang is now 10-2-2- with three kayoes. Kim, the number two contender, is 13-3 with six knockouts.

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Ki-Yul Kang, 119, outscored Chung-Suk Kwon, also 119, eight.

Bong-Chun Park, 133¼, decisioned Jin-Hyun Oh, also 133½, six.

Four rounders: Chun-Shik Park, 115, won from Suk-Keun Song, 115¼. Oh-Hyung Ji, 128, beat Il-Gu Ji, 128, in the opener.

Hanjin Promotions.

(05-08-94)

▲**SEOUL-Munhwa Gumnasium—**Unbeaten junior flyweight Oh-Kong Son, 110¼, proved too strong for Filipino Sil Golosino, 108¾, stopping him at 2:15 of the nith round in a scheduled 10.

Son, the KBC's second ranked 108-pounder, is now 15-0 with six kayoes. The Filipino loser fell to 16-3-2 with eight knockouts.

Kun-Sup Han, 114 drew with Suk Dul, 114, eight.

Kyung-Sun Kim, 157, stopped Yown-Han Choi, 158½, at 1:42 of the sixth round in their eight.

Kap-Dong Park, 110, and Chang-Young Chang, 109½, drew, eight.

Chul-Ho Kim, 119, outpointed Ki-Chul Lee, 119, six.

Sul-Il Kuk, 112½, halted Hung-Sup Oum, 111¼, at 1:25 of the third round in their scheduled six.

Four rounders: Tae-Won Han, 112¼, beat In-Soo Kim, 112½. Sung-Hyun Bang, 118, finished Yang-Ro How, 118¾, at 2:08 of the second. Kuk-YOung Bang, 123¼, outpointed Du-Hyung Lee., 122¾, in the opener.

Wonjun Promotions.

(05-11-84)

▲**SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—**Former OPBF light heavyweight champ Soo-Hang Lee, a 6'1" lefty at 162¼, lost to Dae-Kyun Kim, 161, eight. Korea has no 175-pounders except Soo-Hang, so he has to reduce his weight and find opponents in the 160-pound class.

Jae-Yong Park, the KBC's third ranked welterweight at 142¼, stopped Sang-Shik Kim, 142¼, at 1:18 of the third canto in a scheduled eight.

Joo-Chul Yun, 134, finished Ok-Yung Kim, 134¼, at 1:02 of the eighth and final round.

Chung-Wan Chung, 128, made a short work of Hi-Song Shin, 126¾, polishing him off at 1:23 of the opening canto in their scheduled eight.

Sung-Ho Kim, 120¼, won from Youg-Rae Kim, 119¾, eight.

Suk-Bong Kim, 113½, beat Suny-Kyu Kim, 113¼, in the eight-round opener.

The card featured appearances by the new Korean Novice King tourney winners.

Kangpo Promotions.

(05-12-84)

▲**SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—**Duk-Hwan Bae, 123¼, caught taller Japanese Eiji Oyama, 123¾, with roundhouse punches, dropped him thrice—in rounds one, two, and four—and disposed of him at 2:42 of the fourth session in a scheduled 10.

Oyama, the JBC's number two contender, was a flattened pancake. Bae upped his log to 15-4-1 with seven kayoes. The loser is 9-3-2 with kix knockouts.

Byung-Soo Park, 125¾, remained unbeaten as he scored a one-punch kayo over Japanese Marciano Sekiyama, 124¾, at 1:45 of the first round in a scheduled eight. Park is now 13-0 with seven kayoes. Sekiyama fell to 16-12 with 14 knockouts.

Yong-Chul Gu and Dong-Hwan Yum, both 114¼, drew, six.

Four-rounders: Sung-Hyun Kang, 118, drew with Chong-Hwan Kim, 119. Hyung-Han Kim, 109¾, stopped Jung-Dae Lee, 109¾, at the end of the third round. Hyun-Jae Hwang, 122¾, outpointed Jung-Hi You, 123. Kang-Hun Lee, 124½, halted Yong-Hun Oh, 125¼, at 2:46 of the first round in the opener.

Waryong Promotions.

(05-12-84)

▲**SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—**Following te relinquishment of Soon-Chun Kwon, who became the IBF champ, an OPBF junior bantamweight eliminator took place here.

Indonesian Elly Pical, 114½, was awarded a technical decision over Korean Hi-Youn Chung, also 114½, to become the new OPBF titlist at 1:33 of the fourth round.

Pical had iced Thai Prayurasak Muangsurin (who had beaten ex-WBC champ Chul-Ho Kim last year) in the first round in his previous bout. Now Indonesia boasts two OPBF champions—lightie Juhari and Pical.

In the semi, Ok-Kyun Yuh, 114½, seized the vacant Korean junior bantamweight throne by taking a decision over Hyung-Shik Lim, also 114½, 10. Yuh bettered his log to 11-2-1 with four kayoes. Lim is 9-7-6 with two knockouts.

Joung-Nam Kim, 124¼, drew with Hyung-Dal Yuh, 124½, six.

Four rounders: Shi-Il Kim, 124¼, won from Jae-Chun Kim, 124¼. Kyu-Won Cho, 125¼, decisioned Min-Jin Kim, 125½. Il-Wan Kim, 112½, outscored Kil-Young Kim, 111. Houn Lee, 127¼, decisioned You-Song Houng, 128, in the opener.

Dong-A Promotions.

(05-19-84)

▲**WONJU—Wonju Gymnasium—**The most active IBF champions is Joo-Do Chun. Chun, 114¾, kept his crown for the third time since winning it last December as he halted Felix Marquez, Hartford, Conn. 114½, 0:02 into the sixth round of a scheduled 15.

In the first three rounds, Felix scored points with by playing hit-and-run. The fifth session saw Chun stalking Marquez from pillar to post, battering his body. Marquez, on the verge of a knockdown, was saved by the bell, but his cornerman refused to let him to come out for the sixth when the bell sounded.

Felix Marquez was internationally unknown. Looking at *The Ring* Magazine's April issue, we find him classified in class D in *The Ring's* Exclusive Ratings of More Than 8,000 Active Fighters. "D" means, according to *The Ring's* explanations, four-round prelim kids, newcomers to six-round bouts; down-and-going fighters.

Was Felix, the IBF's number 10 contender, eligible to fight for world title.

Chun, one of the ost popular Korean ringmen, is now 17-1-3 with eight kayoes. Felix's record was reported to be 19-0-1 with 10 kayoes prior to this fight, but his log may require some investigation.

Soon-Jung Kang, the WBC's ninth ranked flyweight at 111¾, defeated Do-Sa Kim, an unbeaten prospect at 114½, 10. Kang, a soft punching kid, is 19-3-1 with one kayo. Kim fell to 11-1 with three knockouts.

Ex-Korean champ Kyung-Hwan Chae, a tall lefty at 141½, outscored Hwa-Young Song, 141¾, 10. Chae is now 19-4-2 with five kayoes. The loser is 6-5-4 with two knockouts.

Four rounders: Chea-Hi Hwang, 119, and Young-Buk Choi, 117¾, drew. Sang-Oum Cho, 118, stopped Sung-Il Shin, 115, at 2:06 of the first round. Gun-Jin Byun, 118, needed 0:51 to polish off Young-Sun Kim, also 118, in the first round. Shin-Hung Lee, 121, halted Sou-Young Kim, 121¼, at 0:52 of the third round. Sung-Chong Han, 129½, drew with Chong-Han KIm, 129¼, in the opener.

Kukdong Promotions.

(05-26-84)

▲**SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—**Strong Korean hopes won't come to Japan, and good Japanese prospects won't go to Korea. So, when Japanese junior welterweight champ Akio Kameda, the WBC's 17th contender, was booked to challenge OPBF titlist Eung-Shik Kim in the champ's hometown, it produced surprises and attention.

Kameda, 139¼, failed to win the title from the less experienced Kim, 139¾. He was halted due to a bad gash over the right eyebrow at 2:36 of the fourth round in a scheduled 12.

They fought on even terms in the first two rounds. The third saw Kim, a stockily built swinger, catch Kameda with solid rights and have him rubber legged. In this round, Kameda, a 5'11" lefty, began to bleed badly and was examined by the KBC physician. When Kim was stalking the Japanese in round four, the third man declared a halt due to Kameda's flow of blood. Kameda's cornerman, Takahashi, angrily protested the stoppage, but in vain.

Kim, the WBC's 19th ranked 140-pounder, scored an important victory and is now 10-0 with eight kayoes. Kameda, who hadn't been beaten by anybody but Aaron Pryor, fell to 23-2 with 18 knockouts. An upset.

In the semi, the WBA's seventh ranked junior flyweight, Moon-Jin Choi, 109¼, outpointed Filipino Cecilio Tutor, 109, 10. Choi is 19-2-2- with four kayoes. The Filipino impaired to 17-3-1 with four knockouts.

Myung-Woo Yuh, 110¼, ran his record to 15-0 with one kayo by decisioning Bi-Won Chung, 110¼, in the first 10. Chung is now 12-2-2 with three knockouts.

Chul-Nam Yuh and Chong-Jin Chung, 121¾, drew, eight. Jin-Hong Kim, 123¼, stopped Myung-Chul Choi, 123¾, at 2:22 of the third round in a scheduled six.

Four rounders: Man-Shik You, 123½, halted Hak-Joo Kim, 122¾, at 2:26 of the second session .Sung-Hyun Park, 125½, won from Jung-Ki Kim, 125¼, in the opener.

Dong-A Promotions.

(05-27-84)

▲**INCHON—Inchon Indoor Gymnasium—**Unbeaten Kwang-Gu Park, 116¼, decisioned a Thai victim named Sombutryod Singsamang, 116, 10. Park is now 10-0-1 with four kayoes.

The semi-final saw Korean junior featherweight champ Yun-Kap Choi, 121¾, retain his crown by outpointing ex-titlist Chan-Jung Chun, 121½, 10. It was a grudge fight, but Chun failed to turn the tables. The defending champ is now 12-3 with four kayoes. The ex-kingpin is 18-3-5 with 10 knockouts.

Dong-Yong Hwang, 112½, outpointed Jae-Chun Lee, 112¼, eight.

Jo-Won Park, 110, beat Chung-Bok Park, 109½, six.

Jung-Kwan Kim and Dong-In Chun, both 140, drew, six.

Four-rounders: Jae-Moon Yuh, 127¼, decisioned Kyung-Jun Park, 126¾. Song-Chul Hong, 124¾, won from Byung-Kuk Choi, 125. No-Song Choi, 111, drew with Sam-Ja Kim, also 111, in the opener.

Palpal Promotions, whose president is ex-WBC super flyweight champ Chul-Ho Kim (who has hung up his gloves for good), promoted the card.

(05-12-84)

▲**SEOUL-Munhwa Gymnasium—**The IBF world junior flyweight champ Dodie Boy Penalosa, 107¾, impressively retained his crown. He dropped Korean challenger Jae-Hong Klm, an unbeaten puncher at 108, twice in the second round and pummeled him into submission at 2:31 of the ninth round in a scheduled 15-round title bout.

The undefeated Filipino exploded a southpaw left hook and floored Him in round two. Though rising promptly, Kim was decked again by the same left. After that, it was all Dodie. The fight became so onesided that the Korean corner tossed in the towel.

Penalosa, 14-0-1 with six kayoes, looked sharp and strong. Kim fell to 8-1-1 with five knockouts.

Jin-Shik Choi, the IBF's world top junior lightweight contender at 131¾, caught tough Filipino Bell Torino, 131, and stopped him at 0:42 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10. Choi bettered his log to 12-1 with 11 kayoes. Bell impaired to 31-5-1 with 16 KOs.

The first 10 saw was Korean junior flyweight title eliminator. Jum-Hwan Choi, the top contender at 106½, became the new champ by halting Jung-Hyun Kim, 108, at 2:29 of the second round.

Choi is now 11-0 with five kayoes. Kim fell to 10-2 with two knockouts.

Chong-Kwon An, 132¼, drew with Yang-Ki Lee, 132, eight.

Chang-Kyun Oh, 119¾, decisioned Jung-Wo Chun, 120, eight.

Tae-Il Chang, 115¾, outpointed Jung-Kuk Lee, 115¼, eight.

Ki-Hae Song, 143¼, stopped Sang-Moon Suh, 142¼, at 1:26 of the seventh round in the eight0round opener.

Saeki Promotions.

(05-13-84)

▲**DAECHON—Chungmu Gymnasium—**Korea witnessed three IBF world title bouts this month. This was the second.

IBF flyweight champion Soon-Chun Kwon, 111½, proved too powerful for Canadian challenger Ian Clyde, 111, and retained his crown by a very onesided decision in 15 rounds.

Clyde, piloted by Angelo Dundee, rode a fast bicycle for fear of Kwon's vaunted power. But Kwon, in round five, nailed Ian to the ropes and dropped him with a flurry of punches. The shorter Korean also had Clyde at bay in the ninth, but the challenger made use of his footwork and was saved by the bell. Kwon sent Clyde to the deck with vicious rights in rounds twelve and fourteen. In the 15th round, Kwon went out for a kayo. The bell came to Ian's rescue.

Kwon, 24-3-1 with 17 kayoes, is a non-stop lefty swinger. He retained his IBF title for the second time.

Scoring: Norio Higasa (Japan), 150-136; Jae-Keun Kim (Korea), 149-136; Leonardo Cennontina (Philippines), 150-124—all for Kwon. Yasujiro Fujimoto (Japan) was the non-scoring referee.

Young-Kil Chung, Korea's top welterweight contender, 147, decisioned Tae-Wang Kang, 146½, 10. Chung is now 9-3-2 with five kayoes.

Kyung-Jung Lee, 131¾, stopped Tae-Young Choi, 131½ at 1:57 of the second round in a scheduled six.

Four rounders: Kang-Chul Lee, 118¼, decisioned Jun-Hak Lee, 118½. Tae-Youl Suh, 119, won from Han-Jung Lee, 118. Un-Young Lee, 140½, drew with Kang-Ho Cho, 139¼. Duk-Joo Lee, 118½, won from Jae-Tak Chun, 118¼, in the opener.

Kukdong Promotions.

(05-19-84)

JOE KOIZUMI and YOO-CHANG KIM

THAILAND

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Unbeaten prospect Dangnau Kiat R.D., 122, extended his unbeaten streak to 11-0 with six kayoes. He easily knocked out Pornmeechai Ropphongprasert, 121, in the second round of a scheduled six.

(04-28-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Thai flyweight champ Nongberd Naphataya, 114, earned a unanaimous decision over Namkao Satiragym, the TBC's fifth ranked junior fly, 113, six.

(05-03-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Ex-world flyweight champ Venice Borkorsor became a fight manager. His boy, Manit S. Vetvenice, 119, demolished Viboon Kiatsoros, 120, in five upset rounds of a scheduled six. It was ex-amateur Manit's first pro bout.

(05-04-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Another unexpected result. Suradej Klongphajorn, the TBC's third ranked veteran lightie at 132, was knocked out by unknown Jaosuriyanoi Somtangkuijub, 130, in the fourth round of a slated six.

(05-05-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Overweight junior bantie Singnoi Singkrungthon, the TBC's number three contender at 119, stopped less experienced Tonyyos Danphuthai, 118, in the fifth round of a scheduled six.

(05-07-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Surasit Meeprasert, 115, earned a unanimous decision over Jownaranoi Jomkatha, the TBC's ninth junior fly at 115, six. Surasit is now 9-1 with four kayoes.

(05-08-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**A furious battle! Lefty prospect Porntip H. Machachai, 110, barely took a split decision from Nakarach Kiatsonthaya, the TBC's seventh ranked junior fly at 110, six. Porntip was knocked down for a count of nine in the fourth session, but he fought back hard to drop Nakarach twice in the fifth round. In the final stanza, Nakarach had Porntip at bay. The decision was booed by the crowd.

(05-10-84)

▲**BANGKOK—**Patt Ohyuthanakorn, 107, the TBC's sixth ranked contender in the newly created mini-flyweight class, easily knocked out Sungnoi Sithkempetch, the number ten at 106, in the

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second round of a scheduled six.
(05-11-84)

▲**BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring—**Thai featherweight champ Gongprasert Sorsombutr, 126, kept his title by stopping Sansakdi Osodsapha, also 126, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10. Sansakdi was hospitalized and passed away on the next day (May 14).
(05-13-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Having been kayoed by Suriya Praturnvadee in his previous bout, Sakchai Kiatsonthaya, 115, was stopped by Rungdej Sakdicharern, 115½, in the third round of a scheduled six.
(05-17-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Samkumpang Bunthavee, the TBC's top ranked flyweight at 114, was awarded a split decision over Kwanjai Singchavan, ex-champ at 114, six. Samkumpang, the Lumpinee Stadium's junior flyweight titlist, will defend his local crown against Sakdisamuth Singsamang, the TBC's top junior fly, next month.
(05-18-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Ayuthaya Boonyasert, 135, came off the canvas twice in the second round, dropped Thai Turajarern, 134, in the fourth, and was held to a disputed draw, six.

Ayuthaya should have gotten the decision.
(05-19-84)

▲**BANGKOK—TV Channel 7 Ring—**Narongthavat Nabumrang, the TBC's fifth ranked junior fly at 110 stopped Thanongsak Kiatsoros, 120, in the fourth round of six.
(05-19-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Having stopped him in round four, Singnoi Singkrungthon, the TBC's third ranked junior bantie at 119, gave a rematch to Niphonyuth Sakadarn, an old timer, 117. Surprisingly, Niphonyuth knocked out Singnoi with a solid left hook and a lethal right cross in the second round of a scheduled six.
(05-23-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Charlongchai Singcaltex, the TBC's top bantamweight contender at 117, easily polished off Srithanya Sithsaneh, 114, in the second round of a slated six.

Charlongchai was originally scheduled to face Daonoi Sithsaneh, who scaled at 117 pounds at the morning weigh-in. Daonoi failed to come to the Stadium, so Daonoi's manager asked ex-Thai junior fly champ Srithanya to substitue. Srithanya was too small for Charlongchai.
(05-24-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Chor Hhaphalang, the TBC's top featherweight contender at 128, won by disqualification over 37-year-old Charlongchai Sithmamai, also 128, in the third round of a six.

Charlongchai was a *Muay-thai* (Thai national kick boxing) fighter, and he used *Muay-thai* techniques twice. The third man kicked him out of the ring.
(05-25-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Srinarong Sithseemrok, the TBC's number ten junior fly at 110, scored an easy kayo over Kaopongnoi W. Thaveerat, 110, in the third round of a scheduled six.
(05-26-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Downthong Chuvatana, the Thai lightweight champion, 137, disposed of Densuriya Somtangkuijab, 141, in the second round of a non-title six.
(05-27-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—**Patt Ohuthanakorn, the TBC's number six mini-flyweight, 105, dropped Plodpai Sor Burapaha, 104, for the count in the fourth round of a slated six.
(05-28-84)

▲**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—**Ex-Thai bantamweight champ Ram Charbandit, 122, made a comeback, but failed to stop an old soldier named Taunthanong Sornphajorn, 122. Charbandid won via decision, six.
(05-31-84)

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▲**MELBOURNE—Town Hall—**Peter Bryan, 159¼, kayoed Greek middleweight champion Costa Saxonides, 157, in the third round of a scheduled 10. Saxonides claimed a foul in round two, and referee Malcolm Bulner applied the No Foul rule. The ringside physician said Saxonides was all right to continue, but Costa refused to come out for round three. He was counted out while sitting on his stool.

Anthony Naidu, 146½, a Fijian living in Victoria, narrowly outpointed Kevin Hogan, 140½, New South Wales, 10. Norm Foster, referee.

Peter Clay, 175, New Zealand, halted Peter Hewitt, 179, Victoria, at 2:18 of the first round in their scheduled 10. Bryan Membrey, referee.

Mick King, 163¼, outpointed Rod Videjec, also 163¼, four.

Kid Preston, 147¾, stopped Sam Giordano, also 147¾, in the third round of their scheduled four.

Jeff Ellis, 152¼, outscored Michael Balliro, 156½, three.
(03-21-84)

▲**WODONGA—Civic Centre—**Sparrow Freeman, 130, outpointed Keith Ball, also 130, eight.

Brian Nolan, 159¾, stopped Jim Challenger, 153¾, in the third round of a scheduled six.

John Pigott, 146¾, halted Lindsay Goode, 161, in the sixth and final round.

Bruce Crowe, 140, outpointed Johnny Duff, 131¾, six.
(03-24-84)

▲**PRESTON—Town Hall—**Graham Murray, 160½, won a unanimous decision over Joe Burruni, 164¼, 10. Norm Foster, referee. Murray had been inactive for almost two years.

Dave Ramsden, 148½, halted Jamie Lewis, 153¼, in the sixth round of a scheduled eight. Ramsden showed good form.

Paul Mauger, 146¾, outpointed Kid Preston, 140, six.

Sam Gibilisco, 131½, stopped Des Pearce, 131, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Paul Luttrell, 135¾, outpointed Phil Miller, 134¼, four.

Peter Gillespie, 185¼, halted Gerald King, 202¾, in the third and final round.

Kevin Hargraves, 166¾, stopped Michael Belliro, 163, in the third and final round.
(04-08-84)

▲**NORTH MELBOURNE—Marconi Hall—**A scheduled 10 between Lester Ellis, number one contender for the Australian junior lightweight title, and Tiger Mann of Papua New Guinea was cancelled when Mann refused to board the plane from New Guinea to Melbourne. No reason was given for Mann's strange behavior. The promoter tried frantically to get a sub, but no one was available except a Melbourne prelim boy named Paul Delosa. "It would be a mismatch," said former Australian heavyweight champion Ken Brady, and the contest was forbade. The card went on without a main event, and many in the crowd demanded they be given back their money. The promoter wound up losing.

Peter Gillespie, 178½, stopped Bob McLeod, 177¾, in the third round of a scheduled four.

Brian Slatter, 123¾, outscored Muzzi Mehmet, 123, four.

Jeff Ellis, 161¼, and Bob Van Dyk, 162½, drew, three.

Phillip Robert, 125¾, outscored Shane Cameron, 127¼, three.
(04-19-84)

▲**MELBOURNE—Town Hall—**Anthony Naidu, 145, knocked out Killer Kearney, 143, in the first round of a scheduled 10. Bryan Membrey, referee.

Young Stone, 173, Sydney, halted Peter Clay, 171, in the eighth round of their scheduled 10. A cut eye forced the stoppage.

Tony Russell, 128, stopped Ken Bowden, 128½, Western Australia, in the third round of another scheduled 10. Norm Foster, referee.

Phillip Robert, 123, outscored Phillip Niewand, 121, six.

Kevin Hargraves, 159, outpointed Robert Van Dyke, 154, four.
(05-09-84)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

▲**BELMONT—Belmont Hotel—**Anthony Naidu, 138, won a unanimous decision over local Tony Jones, also 138. Jones, a former amateur champion, could not handle the southpaw, but it was a good bout. The judges carded 98-94, 98-92, and 98-92. John Charlton was the non-scoring ref.

Eugene Eades, 160, retained his Western Australian middleweight crown by stopping John Cullen, also 160, in the fifth round of their scheduled 10.

Bobby Colbung, 164, outscored David Corbett, also 164, eight.

Con Sambo, 172, halted John Dimmer, 164, in the first round of a scheduled three.
(04-04-84)

▲**SOUTH PERTH—Civic Centre—**Alberto DeJesus, 142, stopped Eden Tugrul, 138, New South Wales, on cuts in round eight of a scheduled 10.

Alan Black, 176, halted Mandingo, 210, in the seventh frame of a very good scheduled eight-round bout.

Matthew Smith, 156, stopped Mike Stevenson, also 156, in the third round of a scheduled six.

Ossie Henry, 132, outscored Washington D.C., 139, six.

Mark Berkovic, 133, outpointed Shane Gidjup, 134, six.
(04-08-84)

▲**PERTH—Function Centre—**Local idol Lawrence (Baby Cassius) Austin, 156, won a split decision over Joe Nitiva, 157, Fiji, 12. Dinny Heaney, referee.

Ron Smith, 127, outpointed Ken Bowden, 129, 10. A good battle, Bill Ivory, referee.

Matthew Smith, 155, outscored Bobby Colbung, 154, six.

Dean Colbung, 124, outpointed Eric Mourish, 125, four.

Bruce Riley, 154, outpointed Greg Collard, also 154, four.
(04-18-84)

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WORLDWIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Pinklon Thomas KO 5 Bruce Grandham
James "Quick" Tillis KO 3 Joe Thomas
Tony Tucker KO 9 Eddie Lopez
Mitchell Green KO 5 Young Lewis
Tony Fulilangi KO 1 Hector "DJ" Fernandez
Bernard Benton KO 8 Monte Masters
Cecil Coffee KO 2 Otis Bates

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Fulgencio Obel W 8 Cesar Abel Romero
Prince Mamah Muhammad KO 7 Young Joe Louis
Tim Broady KO 9 Charles Singleton
J.B. Williamson KO 4 James Salerno
Donnie LaLonde KO 2 Carlos Tite

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Juan Domingo Roldan W 10 Andre Mongelema
Alex Ramos D 10 John Collins
Sambu Kalambay W 8 Rico Hoye
Robert Pew W 8 Danny Blake
Robert Pew KO 2 Mark Johnson
Errol Christie KO 5 Stan White
Tony Suero KO 7 Nestor Flores

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Thomas Hearns KO 2 Roberto Duran
(Retained World's Title)
Davey Moore KO 2 Wilfred Benitez
Julian Jackson KO 3 Ron Warrior
Buster Drayton KO 4 Gary Coates
Duane Thomas KO 8 Tony Harrison
Darnell Knox W 10 Kevin Perry
Matthew Hilton KO 8 Nino Gonzalez
Thomas Perez KO 2 Steve Williams

WELTERWEIGHTS
Pedro Vilella W 12 Marlon Starling
(Won NABF Title)
Colin Jones KO 10 Billy Parks
Jun-Sok Hwang W 10 Pipino Cuevas
Maurice Blocker W 10 Clayton Hires
Ricardo Bryant KO 7 Robert Hines
Eric Martin W 12 Diomedes Colome
(Won ESPN Title)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Aaron Pryor W 15 Nicky Furlano
(Retained IBF Title)
Billy Costello W 12 Ronnie Shields
Saoul Mamby KO 10 Kevin Austin
Gary Hinton W 12 Irish Brett Lally
(Retained USBA Title)

Saul Julio KO 9 Carlos Salazar
(Won Central American & Caribbean Titles)
Tyrone Crawley KO 8 Ruben Herasme
Patrizio Olivia W 8 Duane Thompson
Hilmer Kenty KO 4 Daniel Cardona

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Edwin Rosario W 12 Howard Davis Jr.
(Retained WBC Title)
Jimmy Paul KO 6 Alvin Hayes
(Retained USBA Title)
Tony Baltazar W 10 Roger Mayweather
Bobby Chacon KO 5 Carlton Sparrow

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Rocky Lockridge KO 11 Tae-Jin Moon
(Retained WBA Title)
Eusebio Pedroza KO 10 Gerald Hayes
Pat Cowdell W 12 Jean-Marc Renard
(Won European Title)
Mario Martinez KO 5 Rolando Navarette
Johnny de la Rosa W 10 Benji Marquez
Tommy Cordova W 12 Freddie Roach
(Won ESPN Title)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Irving Mitchell W 15 Rick Wallace
(Retained WAA Title)
Min-Keun Oh W 15 Kelvin Lampkin
(Retained IBF Title)
Marcos Villasana W 10 Rosendo Ramirez
Sylvester Kennon KO 6 Refugio Alvarado

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
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Daniel Blanco KO 6 Carlos Pino
Jorge Ramirez KO 9 Pinky Rivera

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Wilfredo Vasquez TD 2 Julio Guerrero
Hurley Snead W 10 Norberto Castellano
Gilberto Roman KO 2 Berlin Olivetti
John Feeney W 8 Sepp Iyen
Tranquilino Rodriguez KO 3 Pablo Quintero
Walter Giorgetti W 8 Ron Cisneros
Richard Abila W 10 Edgar Muniz

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Jiro Watanabe W 12 Payao Pooltarat
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Romy Navarette W 10 Julio Rodrigues
Donald Caples KO 4 Alex Guerrero

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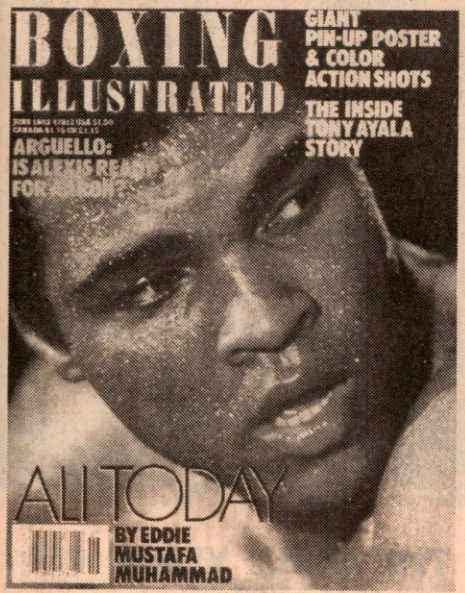

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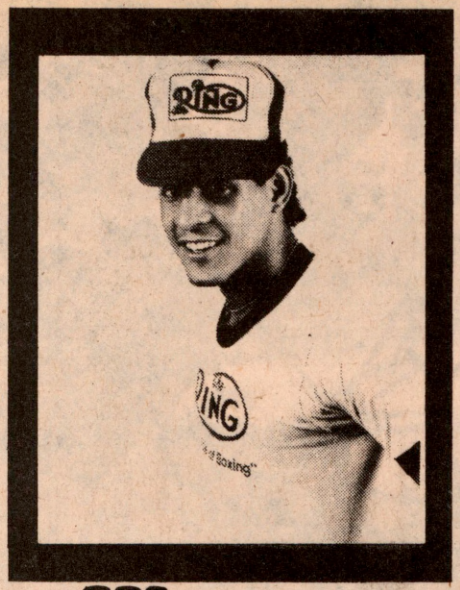

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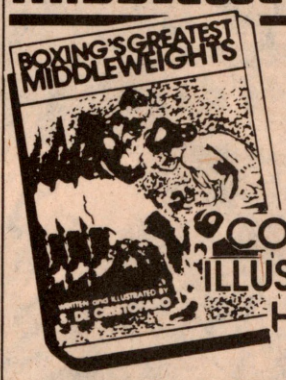

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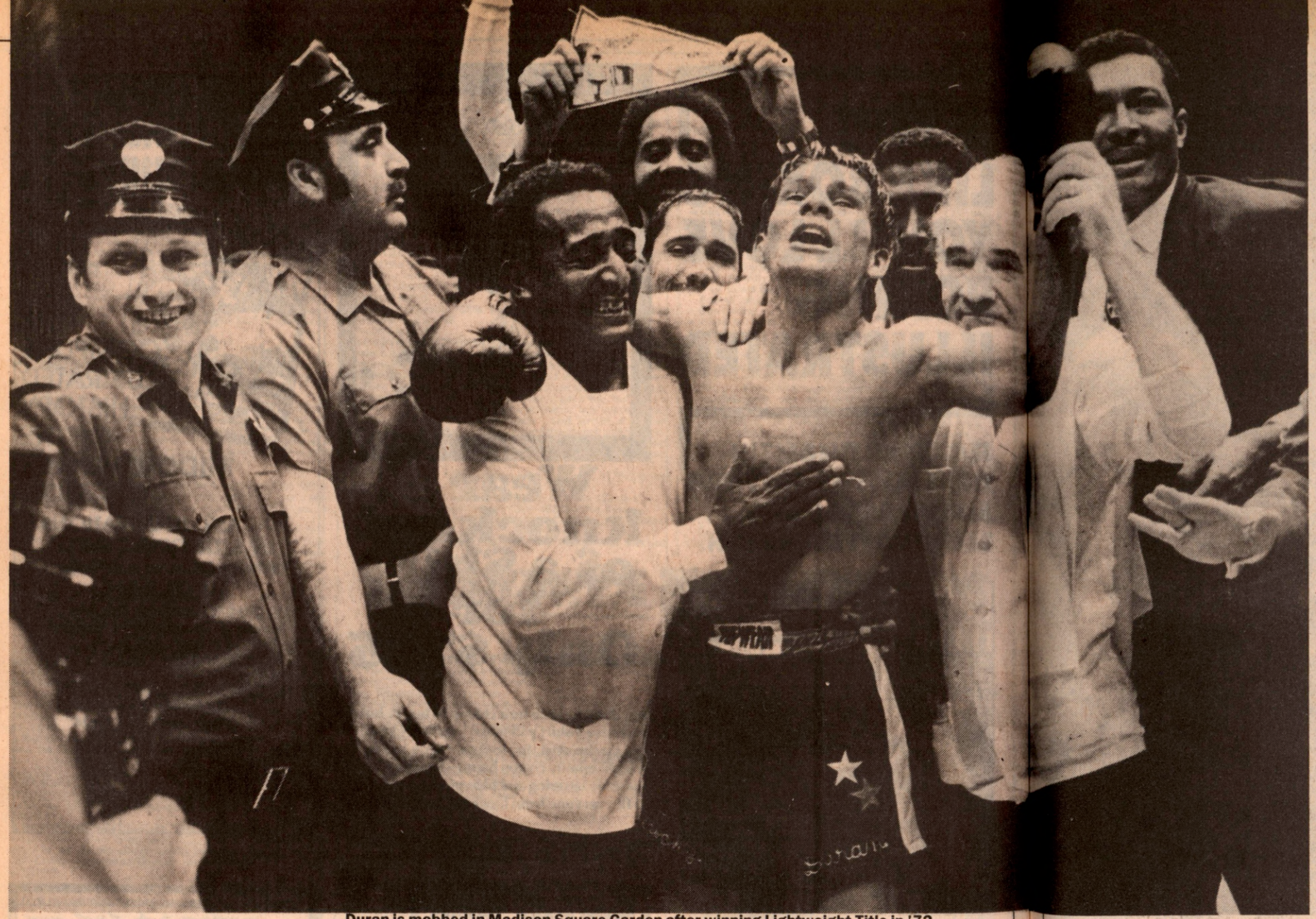


Duran is mobbed in Madison Square Garden after winning Lightweight Title in '72.

The retirement of Roberto Duran marks the passing of an era in boxing. Duran was the last of the champion fighters who reigned in the early and middle 1970s to still be competing on a championship level. In this special pictorial feature, The Ring looks back at the spectacular career of "Manos de Piedra."

ROBERTO DURAN RETIRES

By BEN SHARAV

THE EARLY YEARS

THE BOY WHO WOULD GROW UP TO BE THE MOST feared fighter in the world was born June 16, 1951 in the town of Guarare in the province of Los Santos in the interior of Panama, about 170 miles from Panama City. The second of nine children, he was baptized Roberto Duran Samaniego, the long since forgotten last name being the maiden name of his mother, Clara, who was also born in Guarare. His father, Jose Duran, was of Mexican origin.

Roberto grew up in the Panama City borough of Chorillo and dropped out of school early to help support his large family. He shined shoes, caught fish in the small neighborhood canals known as "cayucos" and danced on street corners (breakdancing, 1950s Panama style) to pick up small change.

Being able to hold onto money was as important as earning it, and that meant knowing how to fight. Duran proved an adept street fighter, taking on much larger boys and holding his own, and more often that not, holding theirs too.

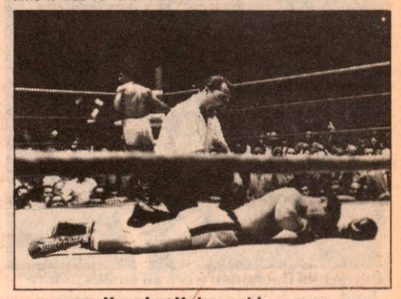
While taking apart some big lug in a battle of fists, forearms and knees on a Chorillo street, the 14-year-old Duran was noticed by Sammy Medina, a former Panamanian national bantamweight and featherweight champion boxer. Medina took Duran to the Maranon Gym, a dive on the Panama City waterfront, and turned him into an amateur boxer.

Celebrating birthday number 21.

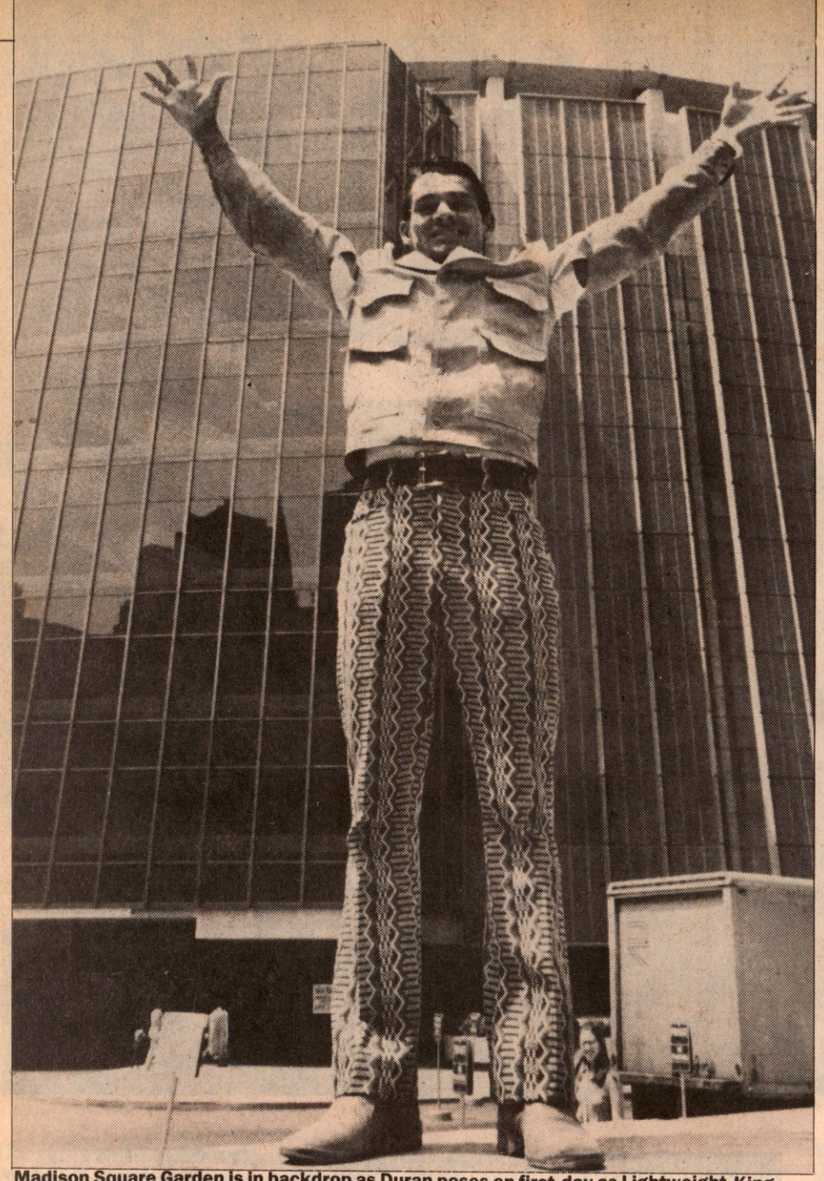
Training under Nestor (Plomo) Espinoza, Duran won 13 out of 16 amateur fights. Then, in 1967, at age 15, he gave up the amateur game to fight as a pro. Duran won his first bout by decision and then racked up four consecutive first round knockouts. The power puncher drew the interest of Carlos Eleta, millionaire Panamanian industrialist and sportsman, who signed on as Duran's manager. "I owe a lot to my manager, who does not handle me for the money he sees in me," Duran said. "He has plenty of dough already." The fighter and manager stayed together until their falling out 14 years later.

In 1971 it was time for Duran to make his move. The 20-year-old banger came to New York and in front of 13,000 fans in Madison Square Garden, pulverized Benny Huertas in just 66 seconds. Talking title shot, Duran returned to Panama and knocked out Hiroshi Kobayashi of Japan in the seventh round.

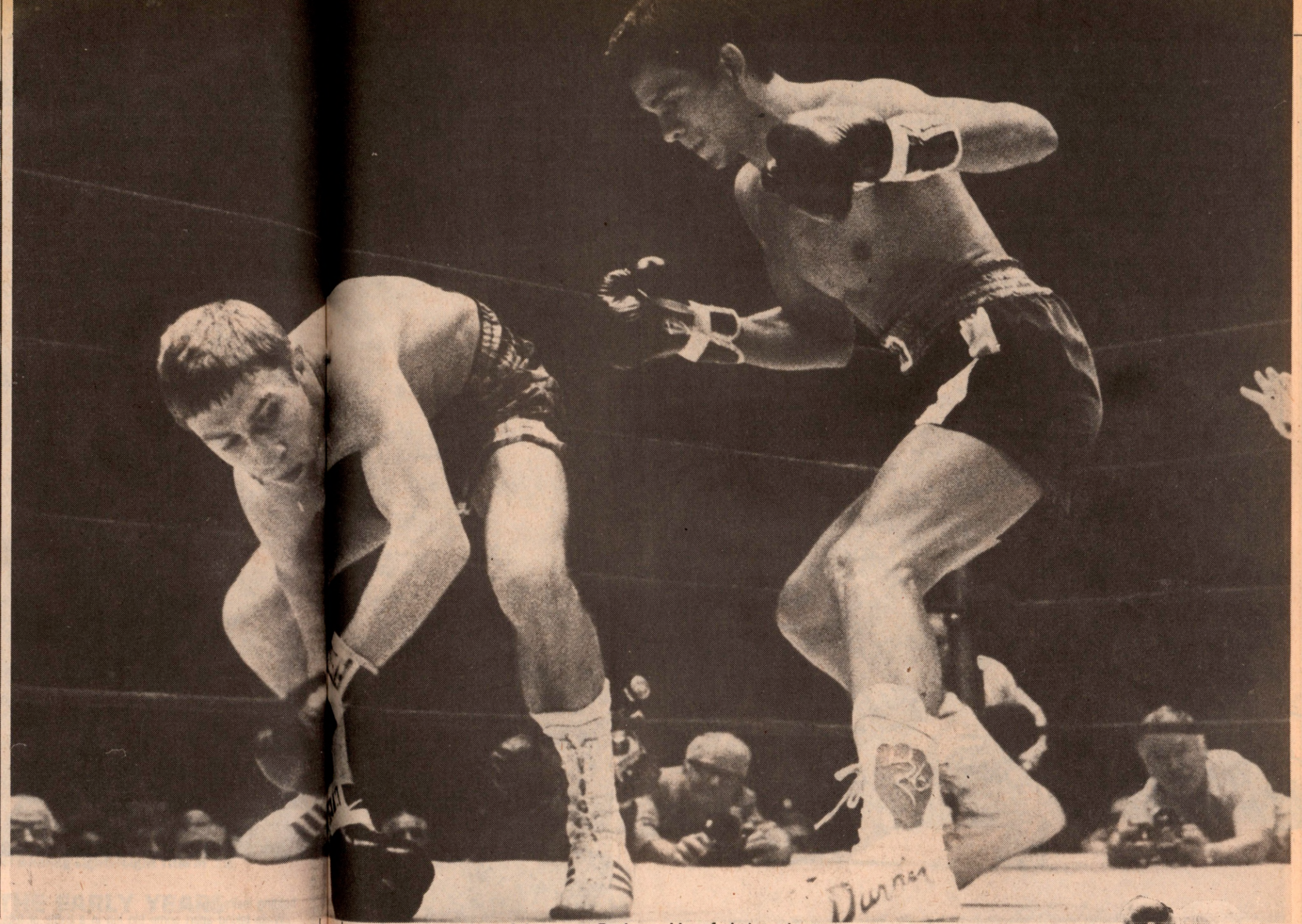
Two more wins later, with a record of 28-0 with 24 knockouts, Duran journeyed to New York again. But this time it was for a shot at the World Title.



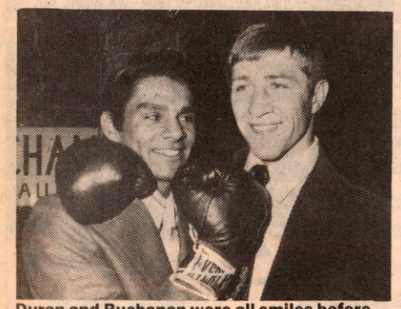
Kayoing Kobayashi.



Madison Square Garden is in backdrop as Duran poses on first day as Lightweight King.



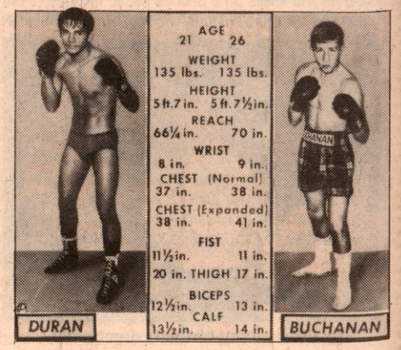
Second-round knockdown gave Buchanan idea of what was to come.



Duran and Buchanan were all smiles before bout.

THE GREATEST LIGHTWEIGHT EVER?

DURAN WON HIS FIRST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AS A lean, mean 21-year-old in Madison Square Garden on June 26, 1972. Prior to the action, the crowd of 18,821 observed a moment of silence as the count was ceremoniously tolled for Nat Fleischer, the publisher of THE RING for 50 years, who had died the previous day. At the conclusion they observed a moment of bedlam as Duran unceremoniously laid out Scotsman Ken Buchanan, the defending Lightweight Champion, with a vicious right hand to the groin right after the bell ending the 13th round. Buchanan's cornermen—his father, Tom, and his trainer, Gil Clancy—carried Kenny to his stool and angrily shouted that Duran had fouled the champion. But

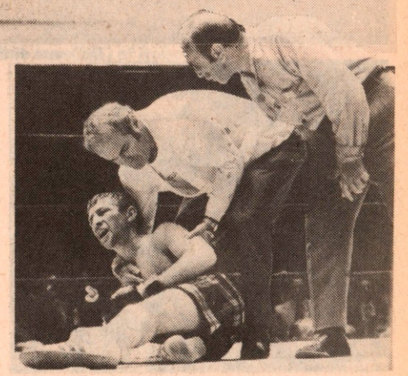


referee John LoBianco, who hadn't seen it, ordered the fight to continue and then awarded the knockout and the title to Duran when Buchanan could not make it out in time for the next round.

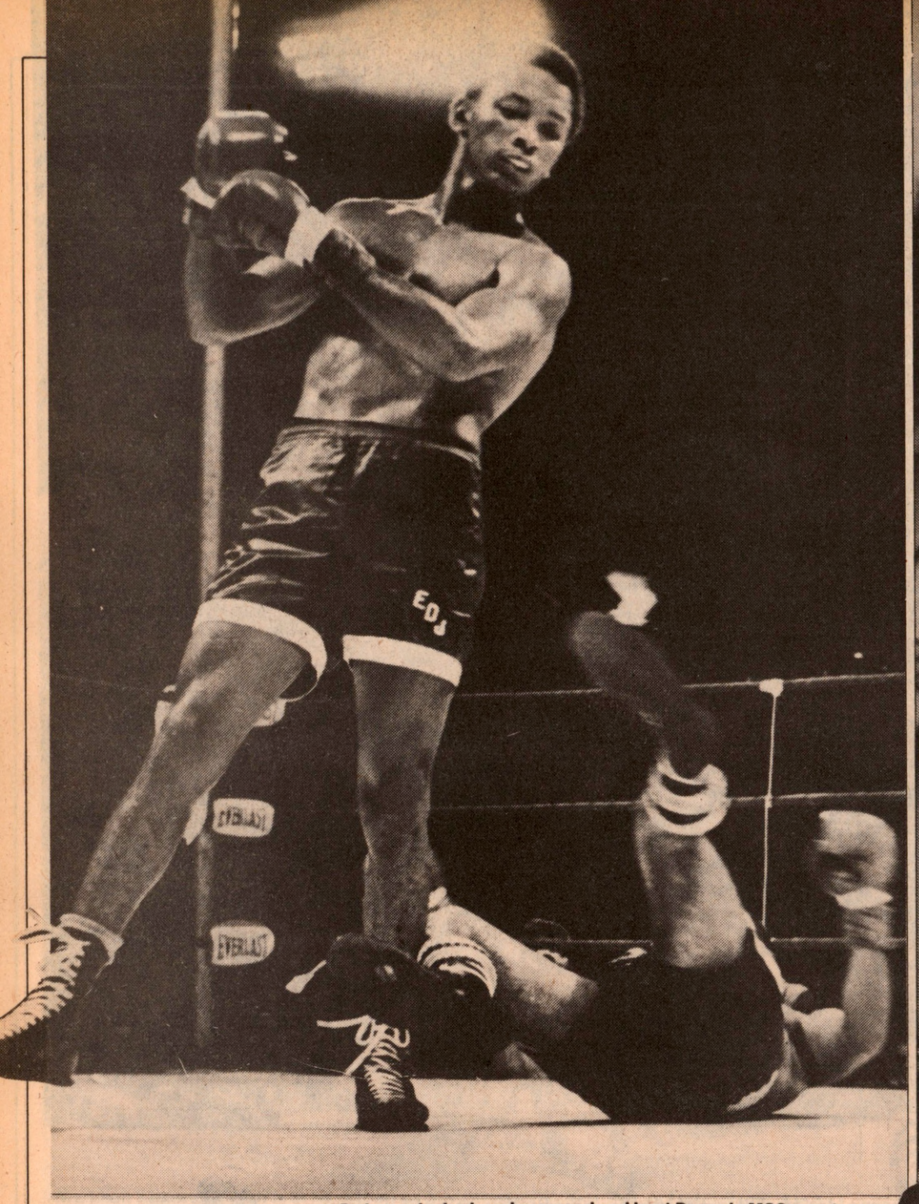
The photographic evidence of Duran's flagrant low blow was widely circulated and the new champion, who refused to admit having committed a foul, was stamped a vicious and dirty fighter. Overshadowed in the controversy was the masterful performance that the young warrior had given as he overwhelmed the defending champion for most of the evening.

As a young man, Duran said that his hero was Muhammad Ali. Along with Ali and Carlos Monzon, whose careers he overlapped, Duran laid claim to being the "Fighter of the '70s," as he dominated his division for the next seven years. Like Ali, Duran aroused controversy. But unlike Ali, Duran couldn't win critics over with his

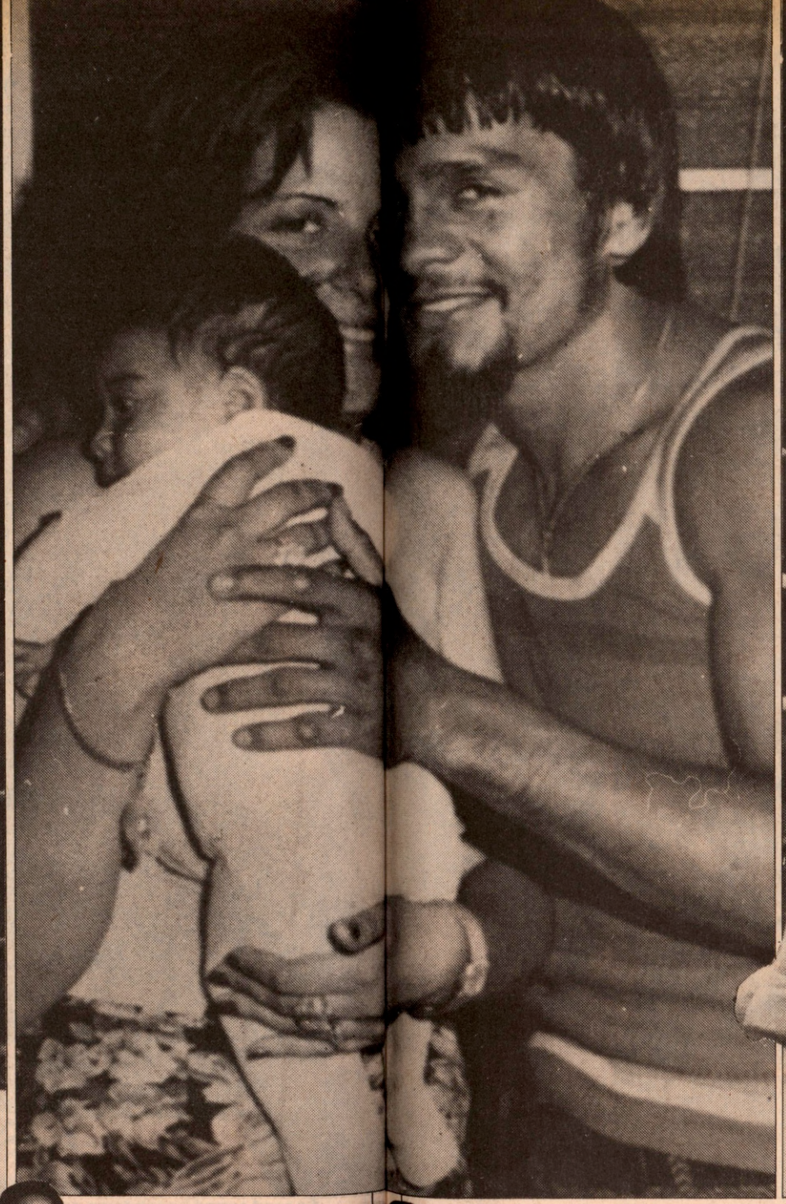
Nailing Buchanan against the ropes.

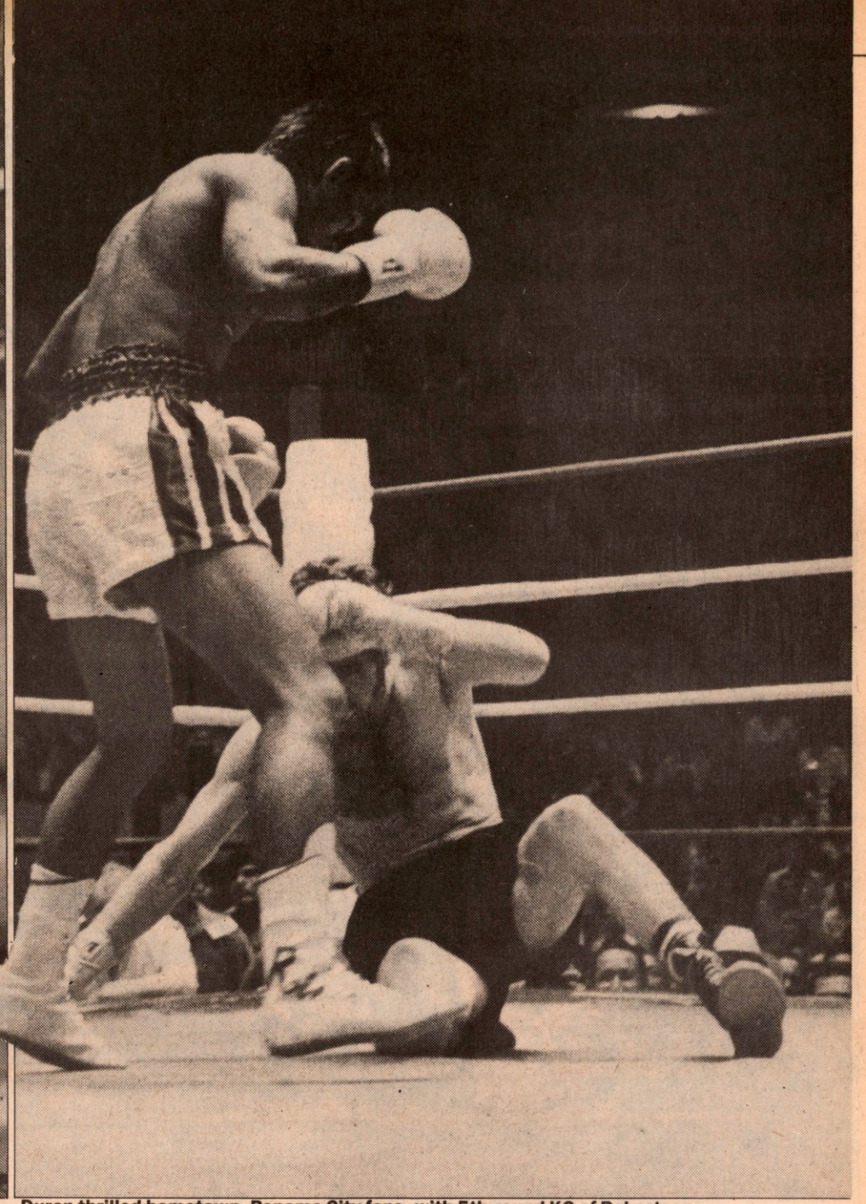


Clancy tends to beaten Buchanan

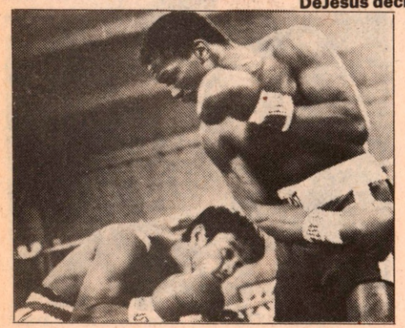


DeJesus decked, embarrassed and beat Duran in MSG upset.





Duran thrilled hometown, Panama City fans with 5th-round KO of Robertson.



Moving in on DeJesus in rematch.

charm.

In his first appearance back in the Garden as champion, Duran was inexplicably upset by Puerto Rican Esteban DeJesus in a 10-round, over-the-weight, non-title affair. It was the first indicator of how Duran's lackadaisical training discipline would plague him later in his career. Poor training habits, and ignoring the advice of his American trainers, Ray Arcel and Freddie Brown, were surely responsible for that embarrassing defeat as a well-honed Duran proved in two subsequent encounters with DeJesus.

With the title on the line Duran proved untouchable. He knocked out all three challengers he faced in '73: Jimmy Robertson, Hector Thompson and the veteran Guts Suzuki, who would go on to win the phony WBC lightweight title the next year.

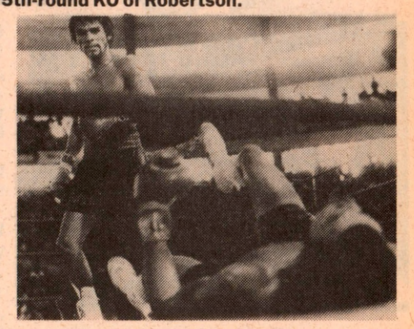
In March of '74 Duran caught up with Esteban De-

Greeted by Gen. Torrijos in Panama as Eleta (r.) and Enriquez look on.

Lampkin in hospital.

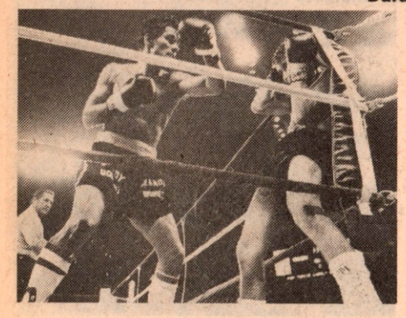
Jesus again, this time in a title fight in Panama City. Like in their first contest, DeJesus landed a left hook in the first round to deck Duran. But that was the only resemblance to the earlier encounter as Duran got up and thoroughly thrashed the challenger before Esteban took the count in the 11th round.

Duran's next defense was something of a joke as the Japanese, Masataka Takayama went out in one round in San Juan. But the following defense, in March, 1975 back in Panama City, proved to be anything but funny. Duran showed contempt for challenger Ray Lampkin, the number one contender from Portland, Oregon, until their fight got underway and Lampkin surprised everyone by standing and fighting instead of backing away. After the seventh round, the Americans from the Canal Zone who had bet that Lampkin would last that long began to suspect that Ray would win the bout outright in addition



Lampkin, down and out.

Duran got sweet revenge against DeJesus.

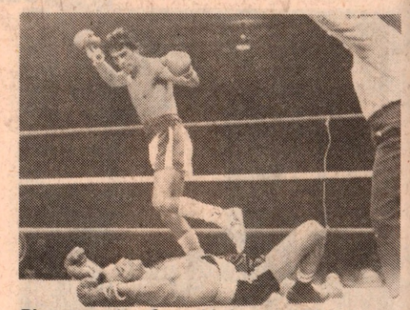


Pounding away at Ortiz.

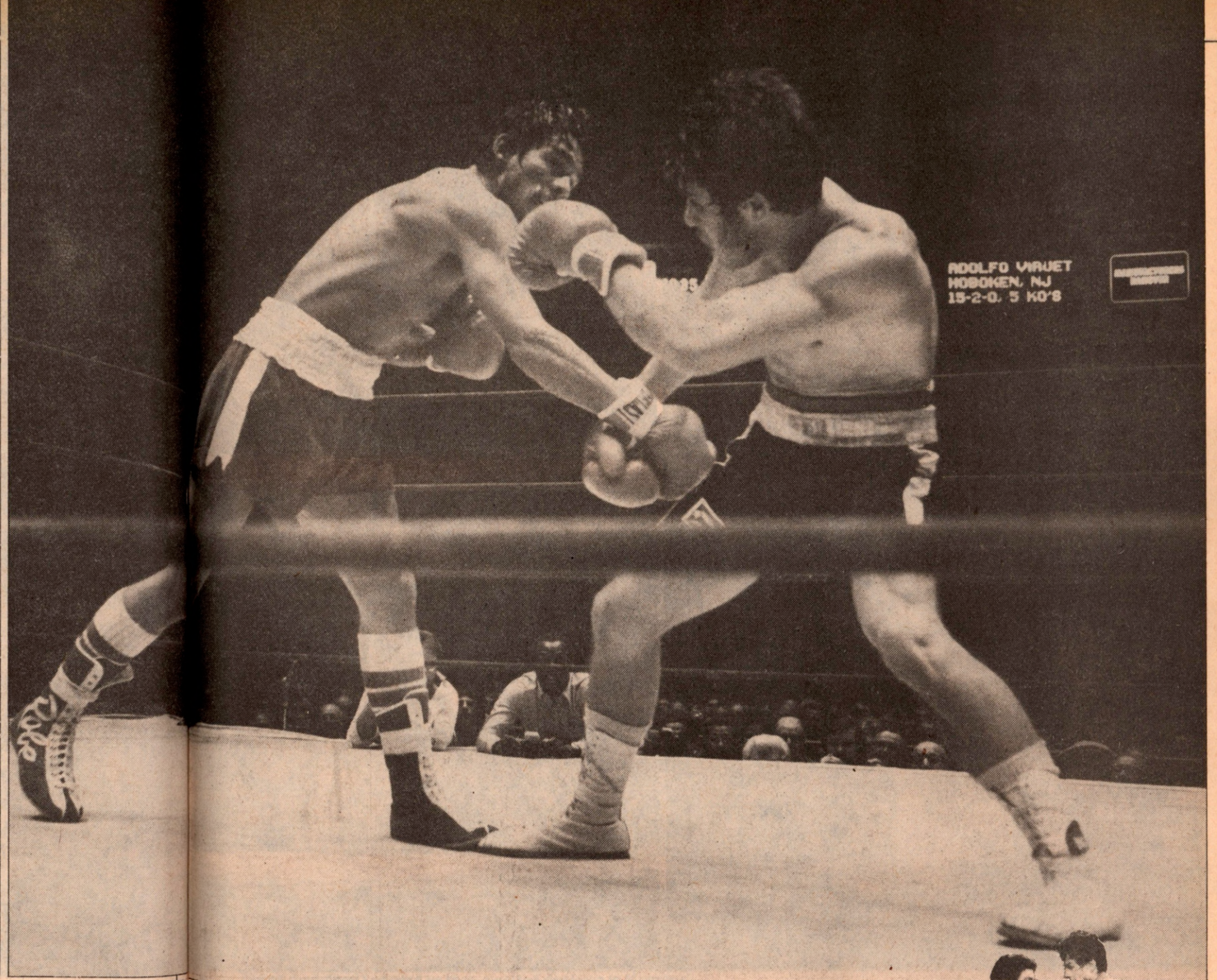
to having won their bets for them. But as the bout went past the 10th round and Lampkin began to tire under the hot Central American sun, Duran began to come on. Half a minute into the 14th round, Duran brought Lampkin's hands down with a crunching left hook to the ribs. Immediately, Duran shot across a smashing right to the jaw. If Lampkin was not knocked out cold as soon as the punch landed, he was after the back of his slammed into the canvas.

Lampkin was taken to the hospital and Duran shocked and repulsed a United States TV audience with a contemptuous comment about his vanquished challenger. "I didn't train," said Duran, offering an alibi where none was required. "Next time I'll be in shape. I won't send him to the hospital—I'll send him to the morgue."

Duran continued to steamroll over all his lightweight challengers. It was not until his 11th defense, in



Bizzarro got up from this in round 10 to be KO'd in 14th.

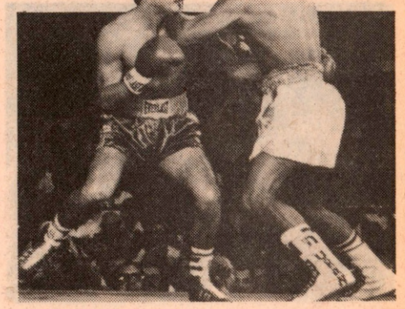


Viruet went the distance in '78.

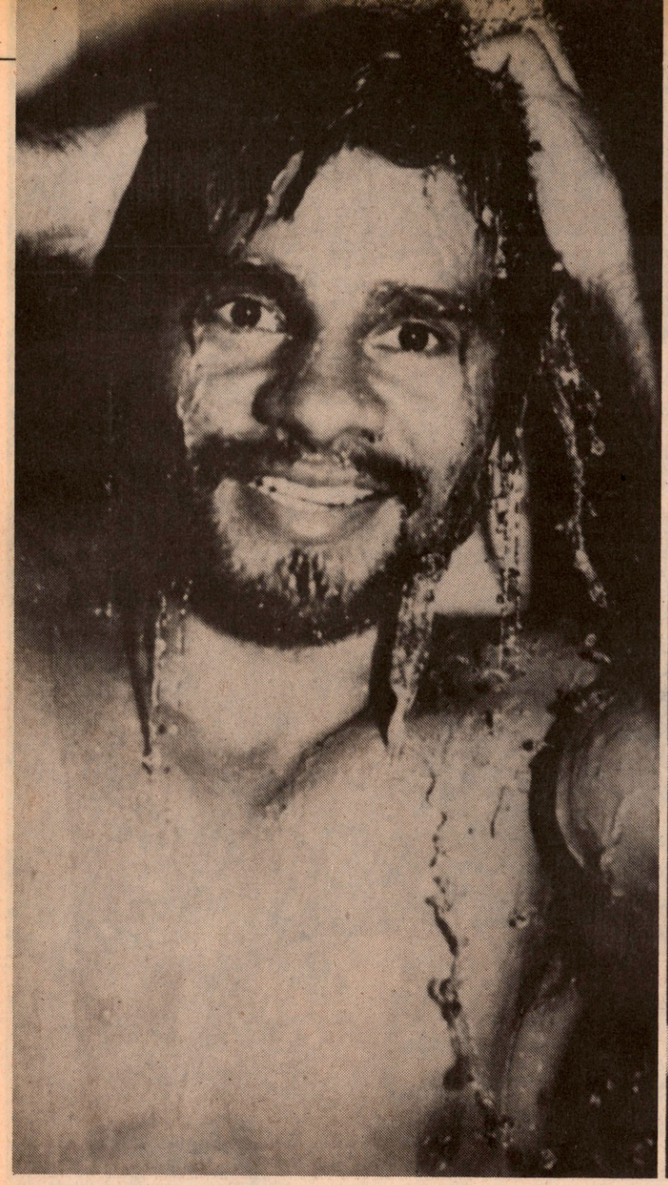
Knocking out Rojas in first round.

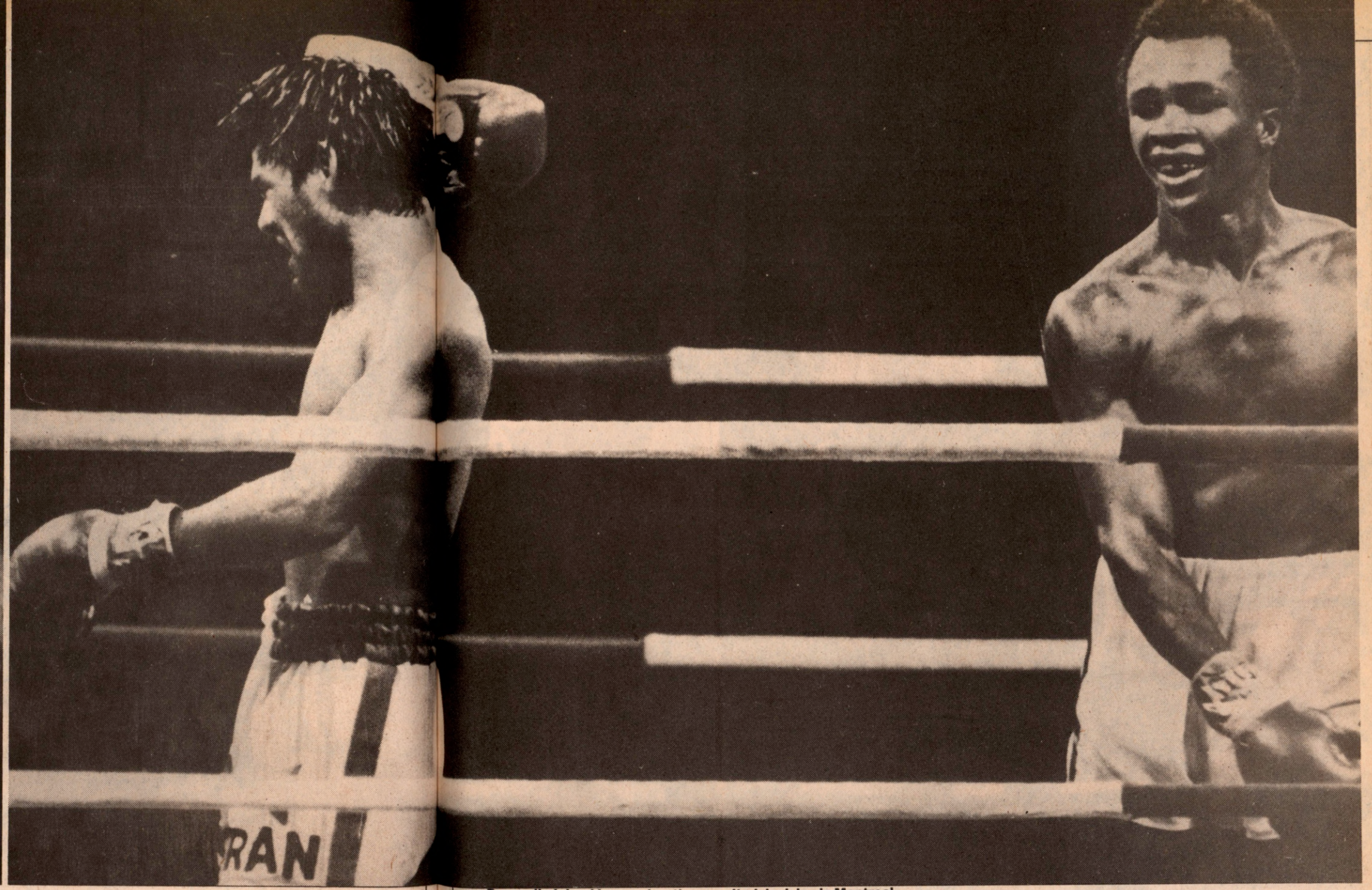
September, 1977, that Duran was forced to go the distance in a title bout. Edwin Viruet, who had earlier taken Duran the 10-round distance in a non-title bout, lasted all 15 in a championship fight in Philadelphia. Viruet ran for most of the fight and Duran never really caught up with him until he nailed him good in the final round.

Duran had firmly established himself as one of the greatest lightweights of all time. All that remained for him in the division was a rubber match with Esteban DeJesus, who was holding the cut-rate WBC title by virtue of a decision over Guts Suzuki. Duran and DeJesus nearly came to blows at the weigh-in for their Las Vegas bout, but were persuaded to save the hostilities for the ring. Once in the ring, Duran played a cagey waiting game, allowing DeJesus to build an early lead. But as in their last bout, Duran came on strong and finished the Puerto

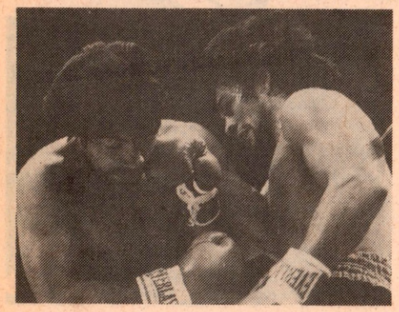


Tough Fernandez stayed upright for 13.





Duran disdained Leonard as they awaited decision in Montreal.



Palomino was overwhelmed in MSG.

Rican off with a furious right hand, this time in round 12.

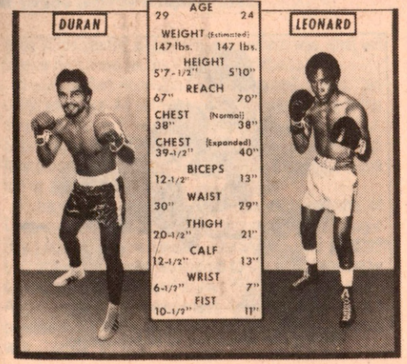
Duran's legendary appetite began to take its toll. The undisputed Lightweight Champion began ballooning up to light heavyweight when breaking training. After three more victories in over-the-weight, non-title bouts, the 27-year-old Duran renounced his lightweight crown to shoot for bigger game.

THE WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION

RING HISTORY IS REPLETE WITH THE NAMES OF fighters who lost their effectiveness as they moved up in weight and challenged bigger men. Never before had a champion ruled a division for six-plus years and then succeeded in capturing a title in a higher weight class.

Duran jumped straight up to welterweight without even

Getting sketched by LeRoy Neiman.

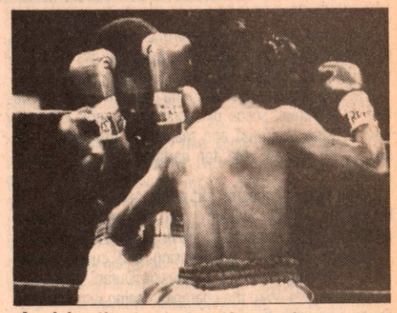


bothering to first go after the junior welterweight crown. Six days after his 28th birthday, in June, 1979, Duran had his first test, a bout with former World Welterweight Champion Carlos Palomino in Madison Square Garden. Both were angling for a shot at the title, which Palomino had recently lost to Wilfred Benitez.

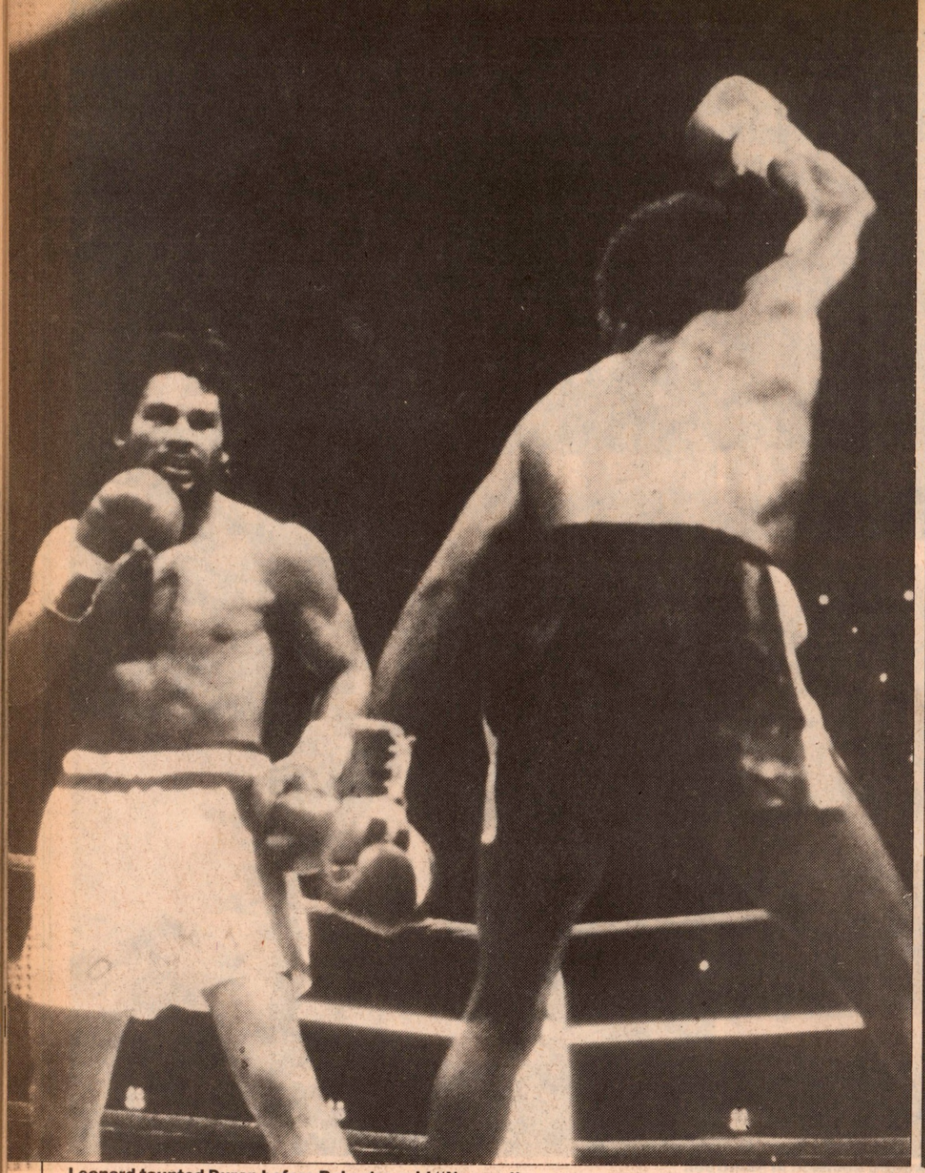
Duran put on a magnificent performance for the fans in his "home away from home," outpunching and outboxing the former champion to win the 10-round bout by a shutout, unanimous decision.

Five months later, Sugar Ray Leonard knocked out Wilfred Benitez in the 15th round in Las Vegas to win the World Title. The ballyhoo for Leonard vs. Duran began.

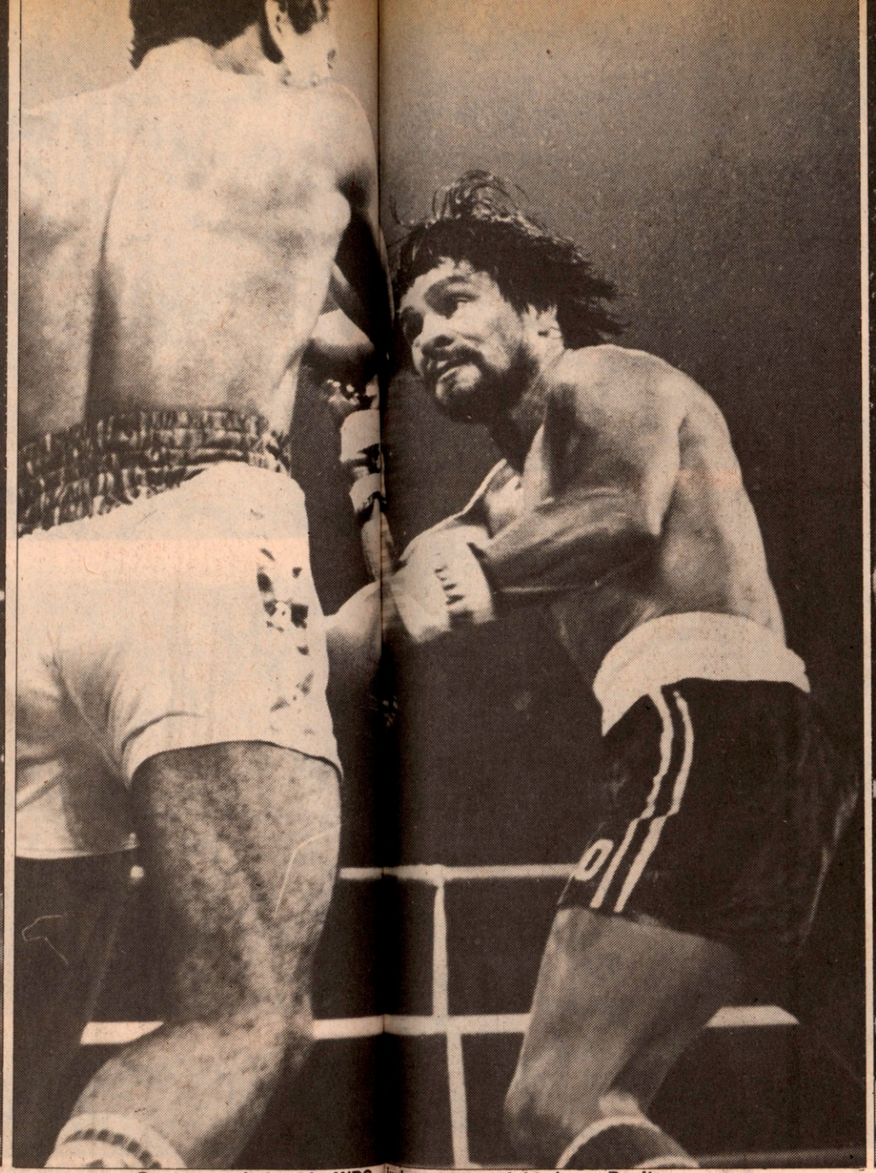
The bout had all the earmarks of the classic confrontation: Leonard, the lightning-fast boxer vs. Duran, the murderous puncher. Olympic hero and America's darling vs. street fighter. "Golden Boy" vs. Latin macho.



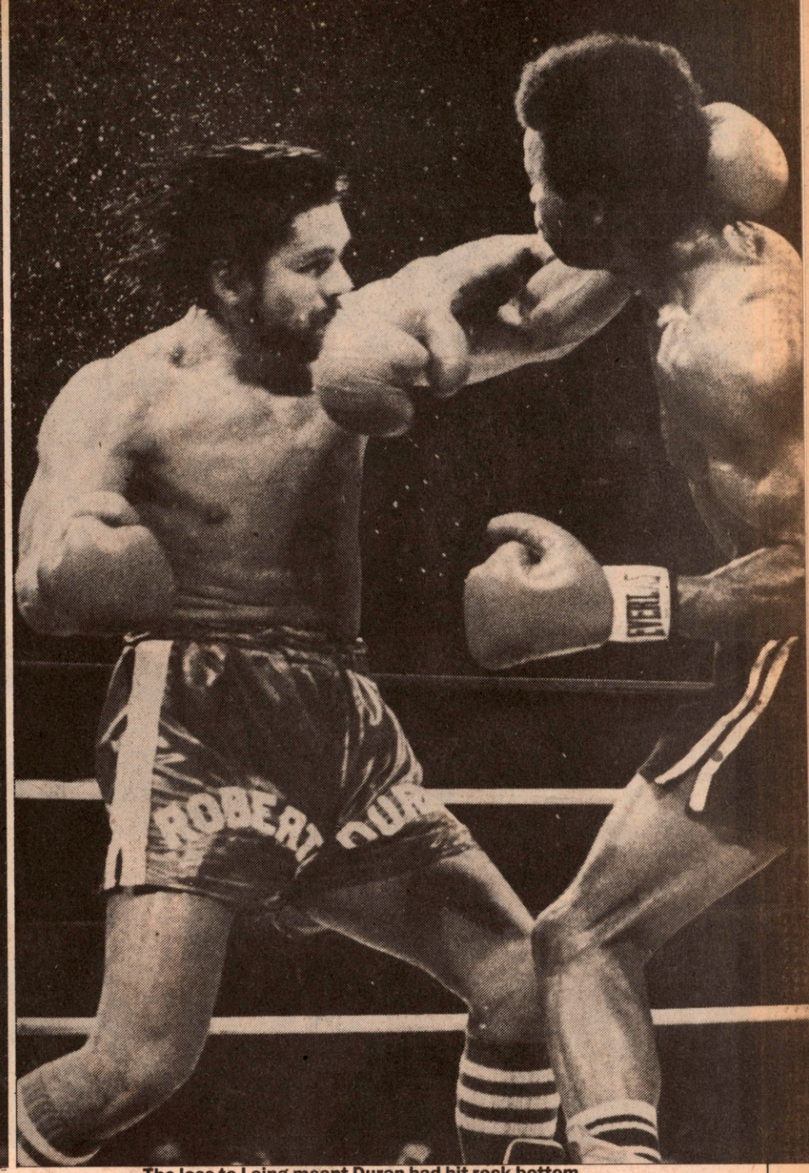
Applying the pressure on Leonard.



Leonard taunted Duran before Robertro said "No mas."



Duran was shut out by WBC



Junior middleweight champ Benitez.

The loss to Laing meant Duran had hit rock bottom.

Bob Arum and Don King formed a short-lived (one fight) partnership to promote the bout and get the Montreal Olympic Stadium Authority to finance and stage it.

A strange thing happened in the pre-fight build-up. The fans in Montreal, scene of Leonard's Olympic triumph, took a liking to Duran and made him the sentimental favorite. It was a vote for earthiness over Madison Avenue.

Duran further endeared himself to most of the 46,000 fans at the Olympic Stadium when his handlers unfurled a Quebec flag as he entered the ring to battle Leonard.

Leonard employed a surprising and curious battle plan, apparently trying to outmuscle Duran rather than out finesse him. With the champion facing him squarely, Duran was able to manhandle him and connect with damaging punches to the body.

Leonard landed many good punches of his own in the middle and late rounds and when the bell rang to end the fight there was a heavy suspense as to who had won the fight. Leonard offered his hand to Duran as fighters traditionally do at the end of battle but Duran, true to form, derisively waved Leonard off and threw his hands up in victory.

The decision—first announced as split, but later recalculated as unanimous—went to Duran. Duran returned to Panama a champion and a hero.

'NO MAS'

BARELY FIVE MONTHS AFTER HAVING COME HOME TO Panama a conquering hero, Duran could not show his face there. What had so altered Duran's standing in the eyes of his people and people everywhere was what will forever be known as the "No mas" debacle.

Going the distance with Minchillo.

It was, as Bert Randolph Sugar wrote in THE RING, "an unthinkable act. As unthinkable as Ted Williams throwing away his bat with two strikes; as unthinkable as O.J. Simpson, unable to find a hole, suddenly stopping and falling down; as unthinkable as Secretariat quitting at the top of the stretch."

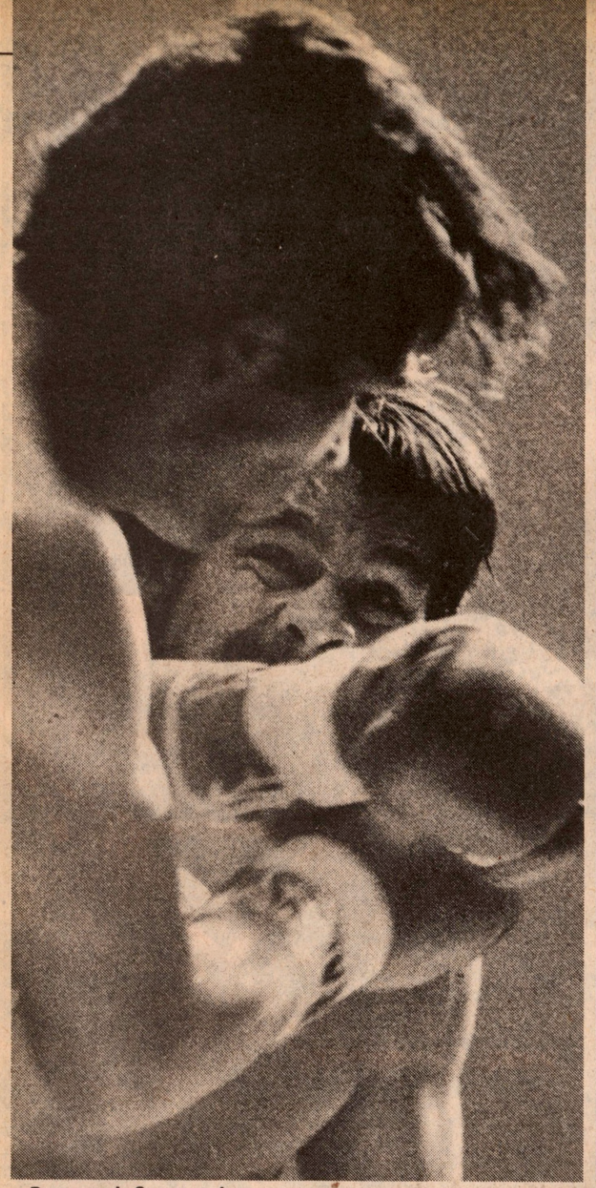
It happened near the end of the eighth round of Duran's Welterweight Championship rematch with Sugar Ray Leonard in New Orleans. Duran had tried to goad Leonard in the weeks leading up to the bout, repeatedly calling him "a clown" and saying "This time, I'll kill him." And in typical Duran coarseness, the champion made it a practice to "give the finger" to Leonard and to Leonard's wife, Juanita, as well.

But if Duran thought his vulgar antics would have the effect of causing Leonard to once again rush at him rashly and try to out "macho" him, it didn't work out that way. In the rematch Duran was facing a more disciplined Leonard than he had beaten in Montreal, one who understood that the better part of valor is discretion, that he who laughs last laughs best, and formed his battle plan accordingly.

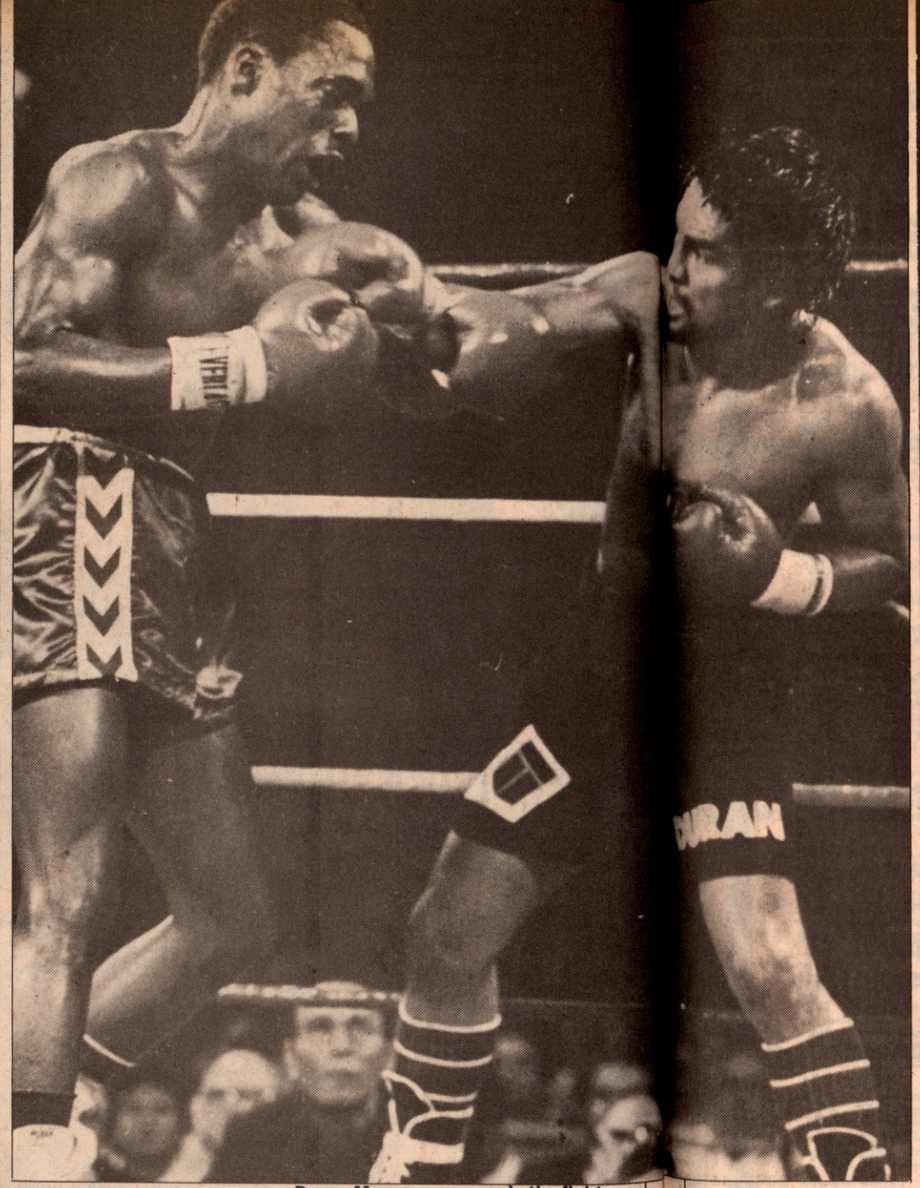
This time, Leonard got off his combinations and then swiftly moved out of the way when Duran came rushing in after him. Duran began to look slow and clumsy. Perhaps because age, and gluttony—he had put on and taken off some 30 pounds of fat in between the two Leonard fights—were catching up with him. In the seventh round, Leonard began adding insult to injury, winding up his right hand for a bolo punch and then popping Duran in the face with a left jab. Leonard continued to outbox and taunt Duran in round eight until, with just 16 seconds to go, Duran turned away, threw up his hands in disgust and told a disbelieving referee Octavio Meyran, "No mas, no more box."

In one instant, Duran had seemingly destroyed the macho reputation that he had created and cultivated through 73 professional fights. Afterward, he blamed stomach cramps for his bailout but no one was buying. Duran immediately announced his retirement from boxing but promptly changed his mind. He was vilified by the media and by his former fans. Duran retreated to Florida while in Panama, his house was vandalized.

But worse than the vilification was the ridicule, as when Sugar Ray Leonard hosted *Saturday Night Live* and in his opening monologue, smack in the middle of a joke,



Duran made Cuevas quiver.



Davey Moore was never in the fight.

doubled over in mock agony, turned away and grumbled that he could not continue because of cramps.

Duran proclaimed that he wanted a rematch with Leonard to clear his name and that he would donate the purse to charity. But Leonard went on to other things and Duran launched a comeback, seven pounds heavier as a junior middleweight.

A paunchy-looking Duran lost two successive bouts in '82, the first, a title challenge against Wilfred Benitez and the second, and most disgraceful, a 10-rounder against the unrated Kirkland Laing.

Even his staunchest admirers concluded that Duran was through as a fighter at age 31. His manager, Carlos Eleta advised him to quit. Duran said that Eleta had cheated him out of purse money from the "No mas" fight and that he was fired.

But the biggest indication that Duran had had it came from Don King, who promoted the Laing fight and had further options on Duran. King cursed Duran out in his dressing room after the bout and ripped up his options contract. In effect, he was telling Duran, "You're worthless."

THE RESURRECTION

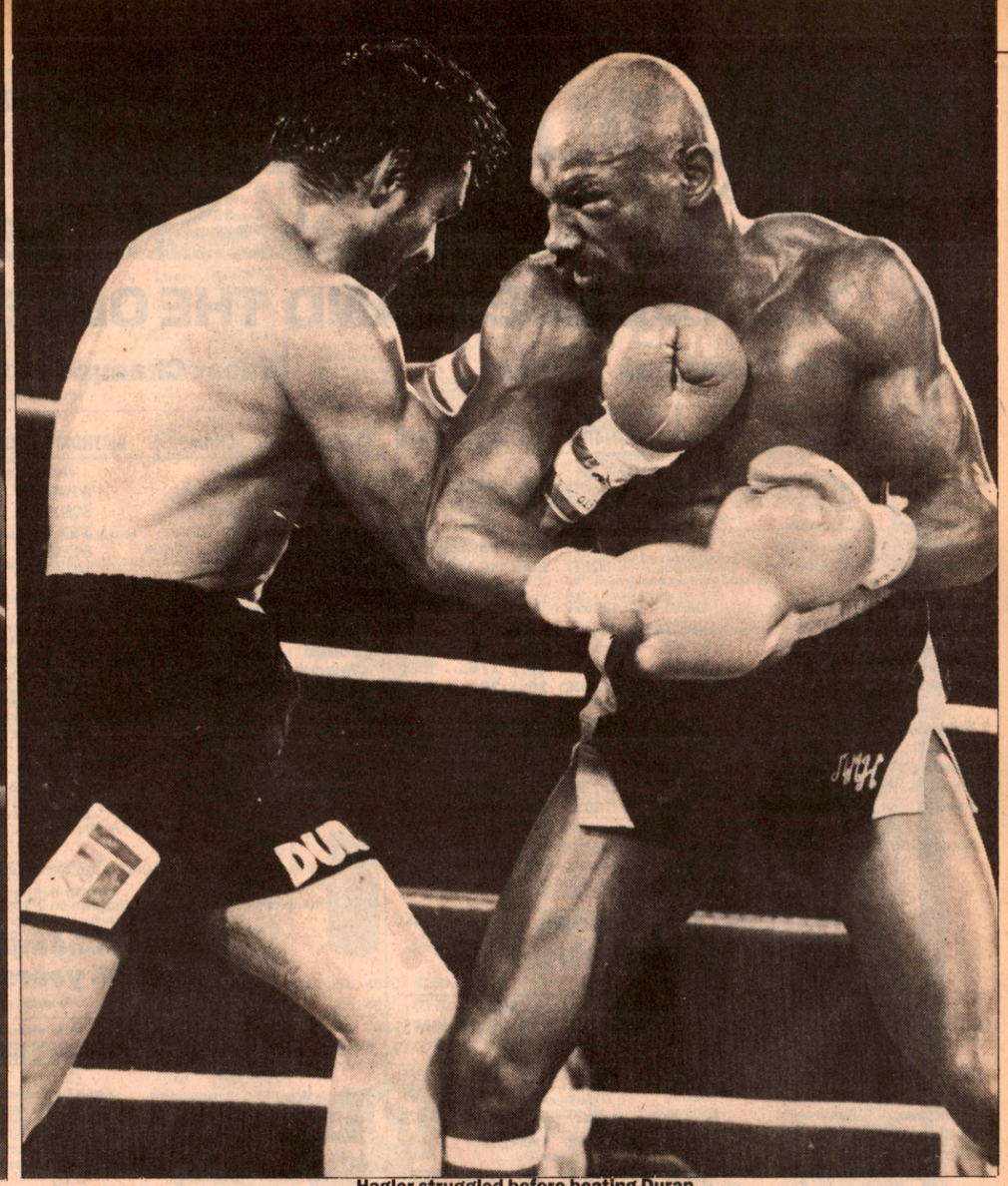
TEDDY BRENNER IS THE MAN WHO PROMOTER BOB Arum credits with persuading him to take a chance on Duran. Brenner told Arum, "The guy's not too old and he hasn't taken too many punches. All he needs is motivation." Arum listened to his matchmaker and signed Duran up.

The irony is that Duran is said to hold a grudge against Brenner, having never forgiven him for matching him up with DeJesus in the Garden in '72, Duran's first loss.

Duran didn't look sharp in his first comeback fight, taking a 10-round decision from Jimmy Batten in the Orange Bowl on November 12, 1982 in the walk-out bout on the Pryor-Arguello championship card.

Duran was then matched with former WBA welterweight champion, Pipino Cuevas, who was thought to pack a bigger punch than Duran. A couple of years back this would have been a million dollar fight but Cuevas, like Duran, had fallen on hard times. Still, the Mexican fans packed the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles to view the impending collision.

The two fighters began trading bombs in the first round and not even the round-ending bell got them to cease and desist. Duran absorbed some vicious left hooks to the body while himself connecting with right hands to the jaw. Duran blitzed the Mexican in the fourth round, decking him twice with solid right crosses to the jaw to finish



Hagler struggled before beating Duran.

him off at the 36 second mark of the round.

Suddenly, Duran was back in the title picture. Davey Moore, the WBA junior middleweight champion, who watched the bout on closed circuit TV in Atlantic City, where he had just defended his title asked, "Was Duran really that good or was Cuevas just that bad?"

Moore found out five months later before a screaming crowd of 20,061 at Duran's old haunt—Madison Square Garden. It was as if Duran had turned back the clock 3 years. With a fearsome display of power and determination (and aided by a thumb which caught Moore's right eye and shut it early), Duran terrorized the outgunned young champion, finally dropping him with a straight right to the face near the end of the seventh round. Moore made it to his feet at the bell and foolishly came out for round 8, where Duran finished him off.

Duran had his third world title and in the euphoria it seemed that the shame of "No mas" was forever erased.

THE FINAL BATTLES

THERE SEEMED TO BE SOMETHING RIDICULOUS ABOUT a man who was thought to be a washed-up lightweight in 1982 challenging a man who was thought to be one of the finest middleweights ever for the Championship in 1984. Logically, Duran had no business getting into the ring with Marvin Hagler.

But logic did not prevail in Las Vegas and Duran gave Hagler more of a battle than Hagler had had since, as a challenger, he drew with Vito Antuofermo back in 1979.

Duran slipped most of Hagler's punches but didn't land nearly enough of his own. Still, the judges had the fight dead even going into the 15th and final round. Hagler beat on a winded Duran in that frame. So in the end, it might have been poor conditioning that kept Duran from winning a world title in an unprecedented fourth weight class.

Fighters are known to grow old suddenly and Duran did that against Thomas Hearns in Las Vegas. Duran gave up his WBA junior middleweight championship to fight Hearns for the undisputed World Title.

After his devastating second-round knockout loss, Duran was the epitome of graciousness, magnanimously congratulating Hearns on his well-fought victory. As much as anything else, that signaled that Duran was through as a fighter. Without the arrogant surliness, he's just not "Manos de Piedra" anymore.

Duran received a rousing welcome from 1,000 supporters when he returned to Panama City after his defeat. This time, he had gone out on his shield and that's all they really could have demanded.

FOR THE RECORD

By JOHN GRASSO

THE YOUNGEST AND THE OLDEST

Youngest Champions by class

CLASS	CHAMPION	BIRTHDATE	WON TITLE	AGE YRS. + DAYS	(DAYS)
Jr. Flyweight	Netrnoi Sor Vorasingh	4/22/59	5/6/78	19y., 14d.	(6954)
Flyweight	Joe Symonds*	12/28/94	5/15/14	19y., 138d.	(7077)
Jr. Bantamweight	Chul-Ho Kim	3/3/61	1/25/81	19y., 328d.	(7268)
Bantamweight	Teddy Baldock	5/20/08	5/5/27	18y., 350d.	(6927)
Jr. Featherweight	Wilfredo Gomez	10/29/56	5/21/77	20y., 304d.	(7609)
Featherweight	Tony Canzoneri	11/6/08	2/10/28	19y., 96d.	(7035)
Jr. Lightweight	Ben Villaflor	11/10/52	4/25/72	19y., 167d.	(7106)
Lightweight	Edwin Rosario	3/15/63	5/1/83	20y., 47d.	(7352)
Jr. Welterweight	Wilfred Benitez	9/12/58	3/6/76	17y., 176d.	(6385)
Welterweight	Pipino Cuevas	12/27/57	7/17/76	18y., 203d.	(6777)
Jr. Welterweight	Davey Moore	6/9/59	2/2/82	22y., 238d.	(8274)
Middleweight	Al McCoy	10/23/94	4/6/14	19y., 165d.	(7104)
Lt. Heavyweight	Jack Dillon	2/2/91	5/28/12	21y., 116d.	(7785)
Cruiserweight	Carlos DeLeon	5/3/59	11/25/80	21y., 206d.	(7876)
Heavyweight	Floyd Patterson	1/4/35	11/30/56	21y., 326d.	(7996)

* Note—Little Dodo may have been younger but the date of his birth is unknown. He is reputed to have been only 18 when he first achieved recognition as world champion.

Oldest Champions by class

CLASS	CHAMPION	BIRTHDATE	LOST TITLE	AGE YRS. + DAYS	(DAYS)
Jr. Flyweight	Luis Estaba	8/13/41	2/19/78	36y., 190d.	(13,339)
Flyweight	Dado Marino	8/26/16	5/19/52	35y., 267d.	(13,020)
Jr. Bantamweight	Jiro Watanabe	3/16/55	*	29y., 116d.	(10,709)
Bantamweight	Johnny Buff	6/12/88	7/10/22	34y., 28d.	(12,445)
Jr. Featherweight	Leo Cruz	1/17/53	2/22/84	31y., 36d.	(11,358)
Featherweight	Eder Jofre	3/26/36	7/10/74[a]	38y., 106d.	(13,985)
Jr. Lightweight	Gabriel (Flash) Elorde	3/22/35	6/15/67	32y., 85d.	(11,773)
Lightweight	Joe Brown	5/18/26	4/21/62	35y., 338d.	(13,122)
Jr. Welterweight	Saoul Mamby	6/4/47	6/26/82	35y., 22d.	(12,806)
Welterweight	Jack Britton	10/14/85	11/1/22	37y., 18d.	(13,531)
Jr. Middleweight	Fred Little	4/25/36	7/9/70	34y., 75d.	(12,493)
Middleweight	Ray Robinson	5/3/21	1/22/60	38y., 264d.	(14,143)
Lt. Heavyweight	Archie Moore	12/13/13	2/10/62[b]	48y., 59d.	(17,591)
Cruiserweight	Marvin Camel	12/24/51	11/25/80	28y., 337d.	(10,564)
Heavyweight	Jersey Joe Walcott	1/31/14	9/23/52	38y., 236d.	(14,115)

Notes—
*—active champion as of 7/10/84—age calculated as of that date
a—stripped of title
b—championship recognition withdrawn on 2/10/62

Youngest Champions (under 20 years old)

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1. Wilfred Benitez	Jr. Welterweight	9/12/58	3/6/76	17y., 176d.	(6385)
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3. Teddy Baldock	Bantamweight	5/20/08	5/5/27	18y., 350d.	(6924)
4. Pedlar Palmer	Bantamweight	11/19/76	11/25/95	19y., 6d.	(6945)
5. Netrnoi Sor Vorasingh	Jr. Flyweight	4/22/59	5/6/78	19y., 14d.	(6954)
6. Tony Canzoneri	Featherweight	11/6/08	2/10/28	19y., 96d.	(7035)
7. Joe Symonds	Flyweight	12/28/94	5/15/14	19y., 138d.	(7077)
8. Frankie Conley	Bantamweight	10/4/90	2/22/10	19y., 141d.	(7080)
9. Al McCoy	Middleweight	10/23/94	4/6/14	19y., 165d.	(7104)
10. Ben Villaflor	Jr. lightweight	11/10/52	4/25/72	19y., 167d.	(7106)
11. Johnny Ertle	Bantamweight	3/21/96	9/10/15	19y., 173d.	(7111)
12. Terry McGovern	Bantamweight	3/9/80	9/12/99	19y., 187d.	(7126)
13. Masahiko Harada	Flyweight	4/5/43	10/10/62	19y., 188d.	(7128)
14. Les Darcy	Middleweight	10/31/95	5/22/15	19y., 203d.	(7142)
15. Charles Ledoux	Bantamweight	10/27/92	6/23/12	19y., 240d.	(7178)
16. Midget Wolgast	Flyweight	7/18/10	3/21/30	19y., 246d.	(7186)
17. Lionel Rose	Bantamweight	6/21/48	2/26/68	19y., 250d.	(7189)
18. Terry McGovern	Featherweight	3/9/80	1/9/00	19y., 306d.	(7245)
19. Chul-Ho Kim	Jr. Bantamweight	3/3/61	1/25/81	19y., 328d.	(7268)
20. George Dixon	Bantamweight	7/29/70	6/27/90	19y., 333d.	(7273)
21. Abe Attell	Featherweight	2/22/84	2/1/04	19y., 345d.	(7284)

Oldest Champions (over 35 years old)

CHAMPION	CLASS	BIRTHDATE	LOST TITLE	AGE YRS. + DAYS	(DAYS)
1. Archie Moore	Lt. heavyweight	12/13/13	2/10/62	48y., 59d.	(17,591)
2. Bob Fitzsimmons	Lt. heavyweight	5/26/63	12/20/05	42y., 208d.	(15,548)
3. Eddie Cotton	Lt. heavyweight	6/15/27	8/15/66	39y., 61d.	(14,306)
4. Dick Tiger	Lt. heavyweight	8/14/29	5/24/68	38y., 283d.	(14,162)
5. Ray Robinson	Middleweight	5/3/21	1/22/60	38y., 264d.	(14,143)
6. Jersey Joe Walcott	Heavyweight	1/31/14	9/23/52	38y., 236d.	(14,115)
7. Eder Jofre	Featherweight	3/26/36	7/10/74	38y., 106d.	(14,115)
8. Jess Willard	Heavyweight	12/29/81	7/4/19	37y., 187d.	(13,700)
9. Muhammad Ali	Heavyweight	1/17/42	7/15/79	37y., 179d.	(13,693)
10. Tommy Ryan	Middleweight	3/31/70	8/4/07	37y., 126d.	(13,765)
11. Jack Britton	Welterweight	10/14/85	11/1/22	37y., 18d.	(13,531)
13. Dick Tiger	Middleweight	8/14/29	4/25/66	36y., 254d.	(13,403)
14. Luis Estaba	Jr. Flyweight	8/13/41	2/19/78	36y., 190d.	(13,339)
15. Bob Fitzsimmons	Heavyweight	5/26/63	6/9/99	36y., 14d.	(13,163)
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17. Bob Foster	Lt. heavyweight	12/15/38	9/16/74	35y., 275d.	(13,059)
18. Dado Marino	Flyweight	8/26/16	5/19/52	35y., 267d.	(13,050)
19. Jose Napoles	Welterweight	4/13/40	12/6/75	35y., 237d.	(13,020)
20. Tony Zale	Middleweight	5/29/13	9/21/48	35y., 115d.	(12,898)
21. Joey Giardello	Middleweight	7/16/30	10/21/65	35y., 97d.	(12,881)
22. Carlos Monzon	Middleweight	8/7/42	8/29/77	35y., 22d.	(12,806)
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___ Size: 36, 38, 40, 42 or 44.		
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___ 4411 - Top Quality Satin Trunks	$14.00	$10.50
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___ 4201 - Professional leather speed bag	58.00	43.50
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___ 4210 - Capeskin speed bag	42.00	31.50
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TRAINING GLOVES:	List	KO Price
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___ 2514 - Top pro 14oz. training glove	176.00/set (4 gloves)	132.00
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___ 2414 - Professional 14oz. training glove	116.00/pr	87.00
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